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- 1 - New York (100-79717)(CP, USA - POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)(#7-6)
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- 1 - New York (100-89011)(JENNIE KROOGLICK)(#12-10)
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On September 26, 1958 at 8:30 the Communist Party of the U. S. held a 39th Anniversary celebration at Carengie Hall. The orchestra section was completely filled with some standees. The first row of box seats was also well filled. Most of the people were middle aged or older persons with a smattering of young people who seemed to be the sons or daughters of the middle aged people. There were very few negroes.

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1 - New York (100-34275) (WILLIAM PATTERSON) (#7-1)
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Among those recognized in the audience were: [redacted] Alberto Dora Ziebel, Abe Itzkovitz, [redacted] Morreau, James Jackson and several persons who had attended the Victory meeting of Sept. 20, 1958, names unknown.

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On the platform the following persons were seated: Arnold Johnson, Bob Thompson, Ben Davis, Eugene Davis and Mildred McAdory. Behind these people on the platform were seated some twenty others, among whom only Sam and [redacted] were familiar.

Bill Albertson was chairman, and after a brief introduction about the Communist Party he introduced Arnold Johnson. He spoke about Gil Green and Henry Winston. He felt that the President should pardon them as previous presidents had done in the past, for political prisoners or that the parole board should parole them in as much as they had served sufficient time to be paroled. Bill Albertson asked the audience to send telegrams to the President and the Parole Board. Albertson stated that greetings had been received from the Communist Parties of several of the South American countries. He read the message which had been received from Communist China which urged that the U. S. Party fight revisionists in its own ranks. He also read a letter from the Cuban Socialist Youth Organization relating the actions of the Batista regime.

Eugene Dennis was the next speaker. He said that the situation in the Far East was very dangerous. He said that any attack on Communist China would be an attack on all the Soviet countries. He called for sending telegrams to President Eisenhower and John Foster Dulles demanding that the U. S. not interfere in China's internal affairs, and for the withdrawal of American troops and the stopping of conveying of military supplies to Quemoy and Matsu.

Albertson introduced several persons who had been members of the party for a long time or who had done outstanding work for the cause. Among them were Mrs. Willie McGee, Colin ~~McGee~~

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English's sister, Rose Worth William Patterson and others. Mildred McAdory was the next speaker. She condemned the New York City Board of Elections for rejecting Davis Petition. She said that they had used the excuse of the signatures being illegible. She said that a campaign to write in Davis names was started. She said that the negroes in Harlem were very much for Davis even though some of them had been afraid to sign the petition. She said that the Communist Party had gained favor during the campaign, and some young people had been recruited. She asked that the people in the audience help in the write in campaign for Davis to get the people who signed the petition, to register, and to show them how to write in on the ballot.

Albertson made a call for funds to finance the campaign for Davis. There were several fifty dollar donations, a two hundred dollar anonymous donation, a \$45 donation from the West Burnside Club, and many \$5 and \$1 donations.

A Tape recorded message was heard from William Foster who gave a summary of the progress of the party.

Ben Davis was the next speaker. He spoke on the integration policy and said that the President's go slow policy was hard to take after 300 years of segregation. He said that if the people in Washington started an atomic war, it would be the end of Jim Crowism as well as capitalism. Davis said that President Eisenhower's policies in the Far East made him unfit to hold office and that he should be impeached. He saluted the children's march on Washington for intergration which will be Oct. 25. Concluding the program was a dramatized presentation of the history of the Party written by Philip Bonosky.

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On September 26th, 1958 at 8:30 P.M. there was held at Carnegie Hall, 57th Street and 7th Ave. in New York City the 39th Anniversary Convention of the Communist Party U.S.A. The orchestra section was entirely filled with a few persons standing. The first row of box seats was also well occupied.

The audience was largely composed of middle aged and older persons. The small number of negroes present was noticeable.

The situation on the platform was this. Behind the speakers chair were six chairs. These were occupied by

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Arnold Johnson, Bob Thompson, Ben Davis, Eugene Dennis and Mildred McAdory. The sixth chair was occupied by a dark haired slim man in the early thirties who was not identified. After leading in the singing of the National Anthem, he left the platform and did not return.

Behind these dignitaries there were seated on the platform about twenty persons. Sam and [redacted] were the only familiar persons in this group.

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Among those identified among the audience were Dora Ziebel, Abe Itzkovitz, [redacted] and Alberto Morreau.

Bill Albertson presided and, after a short introduction praising the achievements of the American Communist Party, introduced Arnold Johnson as the first speaker. He spoke about the "martyrs" Gil Green and Henry Winston. He compared these communists incarceration with previous miscarriages of justice in American history. He called for the pardoning or parole of Winston and Green. Bill Albertson called for the audience to send telegrams to the President to pardon these men and to the Parole Board to grant their parole. He urged the listeners to get the organizations they belonged to, to do the same.

Albertson said that messages had been received from Argentina, Venezuela and Columbia. He read the message from Communist China. He also read a letter from the secretary of the Cuban organization of Socialist youth deploring the actions of the Batista regime.

Eugene Dennis devoted his talk to the cause of the Chinese Communists in the Formosa strait. He called for complete withdrawal from Formosa and the offshore islands of American troops and military supplies. He said that an American attack on Communist China would bring down on us the powers of all the Communist countries. He called for the recognition of the Communist China by the United States and her admission to the United Nations.

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Albertson lauded various old Communists who had led activities during the depression. He introduced various persons among whom were Mrs Willie McGee, Colin English's sister, Rose Worth and various leaders from different parts of the country.

Mildred McAdory who is Ben Davis' campaign secretary then spoke. She deplored the action of the New York City Election Board in erjecting Davis' petition. She said that many of the persons whose names were stricked off the petition by the election board as illegible were educated and professional persons. She stated that an appeal had been made to the Foley Square court. The past actions of this court had obliged the Communists to file an appeal with little hope of success. Plans were being made to start a write in campaign. She said that the drive to get names on the Davis petition had been valuable in other ways. They claimed to have obtained much good will for the Communists in Harlem. She said that there had been some recruitment of youth, a group badly needed. There were very few negroes at the convention either young or old, however. The called for the comrades to help in a campaign to get as many persons who signed the petition as possible to register.

Albertson made a call for funds to finance the write in campaign. There were a few fifty dollar donations and many small but no statement was made of the ammount collected.

Atape recorded message from the ill William Foster praised the progress of Socialism and Communism.

Ben Davis whose expression did not change the whole night was the last speaker. His angry declamations brought little more applause than had greeted his predecessors. His talk was devoted to the integration problem and the Far East crisis.

He contrasted the do nothing action of President Eisenhower in the integration struggle in the South and the

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active policies of the American government in the Far East.

He said the President should be impeached for his attitude and lack of action on integration and warlike policies in Quemoy.

Davis placed the Communist Party fully behind the complete integration of the negro into American economic, social and political life. He saluted the Childrens March on Washington for Integration. He said the march was supported by labor and religious leaders. He gave no indication of any closer connection of the Communist Party.

He said that a war would be brought on by the atom bomb mad capitalists. This would not only destroy the Communist Party but would also destroy the Jim Crow Plutocrats and Capitalism.

Bob Thompson did not speak. Concluding was a narration written by Philip Bonosky connecting actions by American Communists with forces in American history.

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1 - New York (100-9756) (SADIE VAN VEEN) (#12-14)
1 - New York (100-26776) (CHARLES DIRBA) (#12-15)
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Sept 27, 1958

A 39th Anniversary celebration of the Communist Party and Ben Davis Election Rally took place in Carnegie Hall, 154 W 57 St, Friday evening, Sept 26. Admission was \$1.00. About 75 people gathered in the lobby at 7:08 and were admitted at 7:15. The program, to start at 8:00 P.M., did not begin until 8:20. All of the 990 seats in the main recital hall were filled. The first of three balconies had about 200 persons in it. The other balconies remained empty.

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1 - New York (100-107111) (COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBEL) (#7-2)
1 - New York (100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS) (#7-5)
1 - New York (100-9360) (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) (#7-5)
1 - New York (100-79025) (MILDRED MC ADORY) (#12-15)
1 - New York (100-79717) (CP, NYS - POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (#7-6)
1 - New York (100-71105) (FANNY HECHTMAN) (#12-14)
1 - New York (100-88013) [REDACTED] (#12-14)
1 - New York (100-91308) [REDACTED] (#12-15)
1 - New York (100-60640) (HAROLD COLLINS) (#12-12)
1 - New York (100-129822) [REDACTED] (#12-10)
1 - New York (100-135473) [REDACTED] (#12-14)
1 - New York (100-133904) (DANIEL ROSENBERG) (#7-4)
1 - New York (100-133819) (PETER PRESTON) (#12-0)
1 - New York (100-) (Mr. (FNU) SHAFFMAN, present at CP, USA Anniversary Celebration, 9/26/58, per [REDACTED] (#7-2)
1 - New York (100-) (Mrs. (FNU) SHAFFMAN, present at CP, USA Anniversary Celebration, 9/26/58, per [REDACTED] (#7-2)
1 - New York (100-114956) [REDACTED] (#12-15)

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(Total capacity of recital hall, 2,700.) Although many of the speakers, and audience wore red ties, red accessories, dresses, and some had red roses, the atmosphere was not one of jubilation. It was very somber. Even the most rousing speeches failed to bring forth more than medium applause responses. The lack of enthusiastic reactions may have been due to the fact that the night was very hot and the place was sweltering. Several women made trips up the aisle to complain about lack of air-conditioning. Both men and women mopped foreheads continuously. The two rows of persons seated on the stage were equally uncomfortable. (About 7 women and 17 men, white and colored). An usher was overheard calling it "an orderly crowd."

A short, square build man, dark hair, dark rimmed glasses opened the program without identifying himself. He said that the occasion was an opportunity for everyone to rededicate themselves to the principles for which the Party stood, and to work harder than ever toward that ideal state, the brotherhood of man -- Communism. He explained that during the 39 years many charter members and non-Communists helped promote progress of the Party. A small portion of the group was represented on the platform. He introduced quickly a James Dawson of Calif., a Sadie Vampire, Charles Durbin, Rose Barrett, a [redacted] whose brother had been Coleman English, Willie Mc Gee [redacted] Will Patterson. (Alexander Trachtenberg's name mentioned, but he was not on the platform, but seated in the front audience). Other names were mentioned too rapidly to all be retained memorywise).

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The sec'y or chairman of the evening read aloud some telegrams of Communist Central Committees of the youths and adults of Venezuela, Peru, Colombia, of congratulations and encouragement. He said they had received many such telegrams but he would read the one from Cuba. The Cuban CP youth complained that Batista's power stemmed from intervention and support by the imperialistic powers, particularly Yankee intervention which was causing death and terror to many young people and oldsters. Nazi-like

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rousings at night, carting off relatives never to be seen again until sometimes found dead in the streets many months later; appealed to CP USA youth to help remove the cause of so much of their present sorrows and reigns of terror.

A motion was put to the audience and seconded to send a wire to Pres. Eisenhower and Dulles to withdraw all support from Batista. Also, a telegram to the Central Comm. CP of Cuba, acknowledging theirs and promising supports on all requests made.

William Albertson praised the progress of CP USA and reviewed its history. He said Communism was here to stay and was very much needed during this time to strengthen America's policy for peace and better political relationships. He said that America has a bad history of frameups; that Rodger Williams had been thrown out of Mass. for his ideas, and others had to cope with similar adverse reactions. Called for utilizing the Anniversary period as a time rededicate selves to fighting for those rights of those who have already given so much of themselves unselfishly. He said that some of N.Y. States outstanding citizens like C. C. Burlingham and Norman Thomas had called on the President to grant amnesty to Henry Winston and Gil Green, Morton Sobell; that they are eligible for parole because they have already served 1/3 of their time. He told the audience to write and send wires to grant them their freedom - grant them amnesty, as they were still victims under the Smith Act.

A motion was put to the audience and seconded to send a telegram to Pres. Eisenhower to have Morton Sobell, Henry Winston, Gil Green released.

Eugene Dennis paid tribute to Comrade Wm. Foster and wished him a speedy recovery from the stroke he suffered last year which paralyzed him. He said the 39th Anniversary Celebration comes at a time when there is an impending nuclear war, and that it was up to the CP USA to see what it could do to avert this grave threat - advised that the danger today stems

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from the aggressive policies of American imperialists like Rockefeller, Dulles and other political representatives, backed up by such people as Senator Knowland and others who share the same stand on China; and the situation grows worse daily, with actual advocacy of bombing China Mainland. He said this course of Dulles's would be catastrophic; that the negro people and others were demanding a change of China policy; that the negro people want troops removed from Asia and sent to Little Rock immediately; that there have already been far too many dangerous and criminal moves in the Far East. He said that the American people must act to influence its Gov't toward a peaceful policy and friendly relationships with China and all nations East and West; that the administration by popular demand must be compelled to withdraw its military forces to end frictions; that Chiang would never return to Mainland China, even on G.I.'s shoulders; that the American Gov't must be made to see that 6,000 Chinese liberated people seated in the U.N., would win 6,000 friends and customers for American products off production lines already decreased with unemployed women and machines.

He concluded his talk by referring to a famous quotation "My country, right or wrong"; that it was the duty of every progressive to act together to put our country right; to do this by putting an end to atomic blackmail; and Jim Crow; witchhunts; to gain new perspectives, and new political relationships; a more militant labor union; a more powerful peoples union; the unity of all workers, young and old; a democratic policy for progressives; fight for release of Gil Green, Henry Winston, Morton Sobell. He asked everyone to become fighters -- that a Communist wasn't one unless he was a fighter, and that everyone should fight for peace.

A tape recording was played -- the voice of William Z. Foster speaking on the progress of the CP USA and of its past always linked up with fighting for negro rights. He called it a glorious past which everyone could be proud of but that there was still much to do and the CP could by becoming more militant could look forward to an even greater future.

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The Sec'y of Ben Davis's Campaign Comm., Mildred Mc Adory complained against tactics used by the Democrats in Harlem in the fight to keep Ben Davis off the ballot. She said that De Sapio had been giving them trouble; that 6,000 signatures were cast aside because of illegibility or some technical requirement of registration. She said that if the petition signatures were for the Democrats, De Sapio or any other Tammany leader would declare it legal and not claim illegibility or that not all the signatures were of registered voters. To fight this, the Ben Davis Campaign Comm. plans to launch a "writein Campaign". In addition, they were bringing suit against the Harlem Board of Elections which would be heard in Foley Sq. on Tuesday. "But since there is a long record of not getting a fair deal thru the courts in matters of this kind, the Committee was taking extra special precautions of asking all to come out, ring doorbells, speak, to help them get the vote in writing in time to be verified so all who signed are duly registered and have indicated their choice of candidate by Nov. 4th election". Asked for help Sept 28th.

Ben Davis raved and ranted about Ike Eisenhower being a complete "washout" because of his encouragement of a go slow policy of integration. By his actions, snarled Davis, he gives encouragement to every KKK member and white committee; that instead of starting another war, he should put Faubus, and Eastland in jail. He said Eisenhower was unfit to be president and if he continues to act as he has he should be impeached. Complained about sending military forces elsewhere when they were needed at Little Rock so white and negro children would not be denied their schooling. Expressed fears that America might become like France which is almost Fascist.

He said Jim Crowism has got to go. He ranted about case of Jimmy Wilson in Ala. to lose life because of a \$1.95 robbery. Called for everyone to fight for peace and freedom of oppressed; failure to do so to result in peril of nuclear war, and then capitalism would go as well as Jim Crowism.

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Said that efforts had been made to break up the Party but it was too strong and never could be broken because they all would continue to fight for what they believed in and even go to jail, and this still would not break up the Party.

A resolution was proposed by the Chairman of the Program to send a wire to Pres. Eisenhower and Dulles about the go slow policy in Little Rock, and calling for immediate action.

Also, a telegram to take ships off China waters.

The chairman asked all who could give \$1 00 (to help get time on the air for Ben Davis political campaign) to raise it or a check aloft for an usher to collect it; next \$50.00; \$25.00; \$10.00; \$5.00 and finally to hold aloft one dollar bills, then coin boxes were circulated by ushers who obtained them from Fanny Hechman and Sophie (an elderly woman with hair parted in middle, gray and top knot of black and gray; very thin).

The program ended with a combination chant and reading presentation written and produced by Philip Bonosky, author of "Brother Bill Mc Kie", "Burning Valley". A colored and white gent stood at one lectern and Harold Collins and a girl at another. The readings and chants were so somber and uninteresting that almost half of the audience departed or retired to the corridors, before it ended. The content added up to "We are Communists and here to stay". Historical songs of each war as background for wailings of atrocities fight for peace and freedom, hates against the Rockefeller, Morgan, Ford, the Eisenhower and MC Arther who mowed down the March of the Veterans at the White House, the voices of the dead and voices of the living and their sacrifices, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

Persons recognized



- observed distributing Worker Subscription cards on seats.

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Alexander Trachtenberg - observed chatting with Harold Collins prior to meeting.

Fanny Hechman - observed removing cardboard coin boxes out of shopping bags for distrib. to volunteer ushers.

[REDACTED] Arrived with orchid and in company of young colored couple and another young white girl a few moments before program began.

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Daniel Rosenberg - observed in lobby reading at 7:00 P.M. Appeared to be awaiting someone.

Pete (Student at Faculty of Soc'l Sci Eco. class of Meyer Weisbe, 1957 & '58 classes & of Harold Collins film classes) observed circulating a Morton Sobell petition in lobby at 7:15 P.M.

Mr & Mrs Shaffman? Couple last seen at Garment Workers Forum lecture by Joe North, July 23rd, when they sold chance tickets - were observed greeting friends

[REDACTED] - observed going up and down aisles looking for people she knew. Greeted Sophie warmly.

Evelyn Wiener - Observed standing up to collect money as usher.

Harold Collins - Observed circulating asking students he recognized to turn out for classes.

The dark eyed, dark haired woman who had introduced Joe North before Garment Workers, July 23rd., Greeting friends.

The Singer - This man who opened program having audience sing Star Spangled Banner had also done this

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at the Workers Rally July 2nd. At that time a colored fellow in the audience mentioned the name and having heard him at the May Day Rally (in the report of July 2nd coverage).

The program ended at 11:10 P.M.

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It is believed that Sadie Vampire, mentioned in the report, is actually Sadie Van Veen Amter; that Charles Durbin is Charles Dirba; Rose Barrett is Rose Baron; and that the [redacted] mentioned in the report, is [redacted]

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Club 6 CP meeting, 9/11/58

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9/29/58

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1 - Chicago (100-2748)(SAM KUSHNER)(RM)
1 - New York [redacted] (INV)(#12-10)
1 - New York (100-59884)(BEN RATNER)(#12-10)
1 - New York (100-83602)(JENNIE RATNER)(#12-10)
1 - New York (100-123460)(CELIA VOSK)(#12-10)
1 - New York (100-76315)(ANNIE MATTISON)(#12-10)
1 - New York (100-135252)[redacted](#12-10)
1 - New York (100-[redacted])(CHARLOTTE LNU), attended Club 6, CP
meeting, 9/11/58, per [redacted] (#12-10)
1 - New York (100-91103)(MAX KRAEMER)(#12-10)
1 - New York (100-26603-C40)(BRONX COUNTY CP)(#12-10)
1 - New York (100-93665)(MIMI FRIEDLANDER)(#7-5)
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1 - New York (100-26603-C1945)(#12-10)

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Date of report Sept. 19, 1958

Club 6, of the Hunts Point, Tremont, Boulevard East Bronx Communist Party, held its meeting on Thursday night Sept. 11 at the Harry Meloff Center.

The following people were present, Ben and Jennie Ratner, Celia Vosk, Annie Mattison, Sal, and Charlotte - , later Max Kraemer came in.

[] opened the meeting about nine fifteen hoping that more people would show up but the others wanted to start the meeting.

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[] gave a report of the last Bronx County Committee meeting held last night and some of the important points discussed were as follows, a report by Mimi Friedlander on Peace and integration, a resolution on the Ultra left faction in the Party, the coming celebration of the 39th Anniversary of the C.P. in the U.S. an Carnegie Hall, a report on press.

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1 - New York (100-80640) (CP, USA - NEGRO QUESTION) (#7-5)
1 - New York (100-23825) (BEN DAVIS) (#7-5)
1 - New York (100-87211) (CP, NYS - FACTIONALISM) (#7-6)
1 - New York (100-26603) (CP, NYS) (#7-6)
1 - New York (100-26018) (LOUIS WEINSTOCK) (#7-5)
1 - New York (100-84052) (LEO KOSDAN) (#12-10)
1 - New York (100-62881) (LOUISE SANCHEZ) (#12-10)
1 - New York (100-13204) (AL MOREAU) (#12-10)
1 - New York (100-128796) [] (#12-10)
1 - New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (#7-5)
① - New York (100-4931) (CP, USA) (#7-5)
1 - New York (100-128314-C) (CP, BRONX COUNTY - FUNDS) (#7-5)
1 - New York (100-7629) (NAACP) (#7-1)
1 - New York (100-102466) (SAM KUSHNER) (#7-2)
1 - New York (100-13203) (GEORGE MORRIS) (#12-13)

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On Peace and Integration Mimi outlined the world situation showing where Imperialism is on the incline, how the Socialist Countries are fighting the threat of a world war and the main source of Peace lies with the Socialist Countries and its allies.

Mimi spoke about Little Rock and the fight for Negro Rights as part of this fight for integration and how the Negro people are a strong force in the U.S.

She spoke on the Davis Campaign and how successful it was, over 6,000 signatures were gotten and 5988 turned in, and in line with this many people in that 21st Senatorial Area have been recruited into the Party and many hundreds more have become readers of our Press.

On the ultra left resolution Mimi read a statement by the State Staff as follows, to suspend all State Committee members who participated in an ultra left factional meeting. Hearings Committee, Louis Weinstock Chairman, set up to take action pertaining thereto.

In line with the above statement the County Staff took the following action, propose the suspension of Leo (Karsden) from the County Committee, for having participated in the Ultra left factional Committee, and the County Committee to establish a hearings Committee composed of Louise Sanches, Moreau, and one member of Leo's section.

read a resolution by Leo's club which was presented by him to the County and which the County voted against. This was in reference to the Worker, its Policy and proposes specific changes and additions in order to attract more readers.

The resolution was passed unanimously with Leo abstaining.

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On Friday night Sept. 26, at Carnegie Hall the Communist Party is going to celebrate its 39th Anniversary in the U.S. and [] distributed tickets which he received from Nat in all 23 tickets were distributed.

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On Press it was reported by the County Press director that there was an increase in readers during the Davis Campaign and that in general the outlook of the paper is pretty good, but it is important for us to help to make the paper better known, if we can contact newstands in our neighborhood to take the paper because the Worker has to pay for a certain amount of papers to be delivered whether they are sold or not.

Our National circulation has increased to 14,000 in the near future new blanks will be issued in line with the Davis Campaign as follows, for 15 wks sub, with a Robeson book \$1.50, or 15 issues of the Worker for \$1.00.

The Worker will put out a flyer on a Morris article whither are the Unions going (A.F.L. and C.I.O.) and another Blacklisting in Industries by Kushner.

There was little or no discussion except by Max who came in late and wanted to be briefed on what went on, and [] briefly told him.

Ben wanted to know how [] made out with the dues money with Louise and he told him that Louise moved and did not have time to meet with him, but [] would contact her soon and straighten the matter out with her, Ben asked to go along with [] when he visits with Louise, but [] said that he discussed it with the County Committee and [] was going to be there when [] meets with Louise.

The next meeting was discussed and it was decided that we cannot afford to pay \$4.00 every two weeks for a meeting place if people do not show up. So the next meeting was held in obedience until [] discusses with the Section Staff on the possibility of one or two clubs meeting together at a house or a meeting place.

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[] would contact the people when it is arranged with the Section Staff.

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[] paid for the use of the hall out of the dues money which he had in his possession.

[] read another statement which was given out at the Bronx County Committee meeting which was in connection with the brutal slaying of young Russell Corley, and urged that we write to the Mayor demanding that a thorough investigation be made and that the officer involved be arrested.

This, only after witnesses have been found who saw the shooting and protested to the officer involved that Young Corley was innocent. This case is being fought by the N.A.A.C.P. and public opinion must be aroused around this issue.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641) (7-5)
FROM : SA JOHN A. HAAG (7-0)
SUBJECT: CP, USA, ORGANIZATION
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DATE: 10/20/58

Identity of Source

[redacted] who has furnished
reliable information in past
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Description of info

Activities at CPUSA headquarters
and at Carnegie Hall for
celebration of 39th anniversary
of CPUSA - both on 9/26/58

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SA JOHN A. HAAG (written)

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1 - [redacted] (nv) (7-0)
1 - NY 100-100351 (SYLVIA HALL) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-16241 (BETTY DUTMOVICH) (12-12)
1 - NY 100-109202 [redacted] (12-12)
1 - NY 100-120546 (STANLEY GOODMAN) (12-12)
1 - NY 100-26018 (LOUIS WEINSTOCK) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-9595 (WILLIAM WEINSTONE) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-70281 (JERRY DALY) (12-14)
1 - NY 100-82206 (BILL STANLEY) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-134953 (SARAH JAFFE) (7-0)
1 - NY 100-67234 (RUTH SHULMAN) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-72625 (REBECCA LERNER) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-21259 (MAX GORDON) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-68934 (JEAN SMITH) (12-12)
1 - NY 100-88013 (SOPHIE NASCIAMENTO) (12-14)
1 - NY 100-8033 (ELIZABETH LAWSON) (12-12)

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1 - NY 100-13203 (GEORGE MORRIS) (12-13)
1 - NY 100-84275 (WILLIAM PATTERSON) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-94429 (SAUL GROSS) (12-14)
1 - NY 100-129629 (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (7-6)
1 - NY 100- (FNU LNU, believed to be MERLE BRODSKY, at
CPUSA headquarters on 9/26/58, per [REDACTED]
(12-14)
1 - NY 100-111666 (JACK SHULMAN) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-129822 [REDACTED] (12-10)
1 - NY 100-81771 (DOROTHY ROBINSON) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-26776 (CHARLES DIRBA) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-56 (MICHAEL DAVIDOW) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-79025 (MILDRED MC ADORY) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-54555 (EVELYN WIENER) (12-14)
1 - NY 100-89179 (BELLA ALTCHULER) (12-10)
1 - NY 100-80532 (HERBERT APTHEKER) (12-12)
1 - NY 100-93665 (MIMI FRIEDLANDER) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-228 (JUNE GORDON) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-25821 (CHARLES HENDLEY) (12-10)
1 - NY 100-16021 (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-9260 (ANNA ROCHESTER) (12-14)
1 - NY 100-18065 (JACK STACHEL) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-21421 (ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-9756 (SADIE VAN VEEN) (12-14)
1 - NY 100-50842 (OAKLEY JOHNSON) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-68111 [REDACTED] (12-14)
1 - NY 100-8057 (EUGENE DENNIS) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-102136 [REDACTED] (12-15)
1 - NY 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-13473 (SI GERSON) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-20 (MORRIS SCHAPPES) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-17924 (CARL BRODSKY) (12-14)
1 - NY 100-115055 (People's Rights Party) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-9360 (WILLIAM FOSTER) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-13472 (GIL GREEN) (7-2)
1 - NY 100-269 (HENRY WINSTON) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-80644 (CP, USA, YOUTH MATTERS) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-74560 (CP, USA, FUNDS) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-86624 (CP, USA, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-113830 (MARVIN STERN) (7-5)

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Sept. 27/58.

On Sept. 26/58, at C.P. headquarters these people were seen.

Sylvia Hall
Betty Dumivich

Jean Smith

Stanley Goodman
Louis Weinstock
Wm. Weinstone
Jerry Daly
Bill Stanley
Sarah Jaffe
Ruth Shulman
Rebecca Lerner
Max Gordon

Elizabeth Lawson
George Morris
Wm. Patterson
Martin Stern
Saul Gross
Wm. Albertson
Grey haired woman-thought
to be Merle Brodsky
A. B. Dick salesman;

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The A. B. Dick salesman was there demonstrating a new Mimeograph machine. The price on it was around \$750.00 to \$800.00. When asked if the State was going to buy it Sylvia Hall said that it depended on how much was taken in at the meeting at Carnagia Hall that night.

Sylvia Hall spent much time on the phone calling radio stations trying to arrange a 15 minute program for the "People's Rights Party." It is not known if she made the arrangement but it is believed that she did not at that time as she seemed to think the cost was too much.

Wm. Albertson asked Bill Stanley if he would be there on Sat. and it seemed that Stanley did not plan on being there so Jerry Daly said he could come if needed. All of the conversation was not heard but at one time Wm. Albertson called Jerry Daly a "jerk" and Jerry put down the containers he was working on and walked out. He was not seen again. Jerry Daly and Bill Stanley were cutting slots in the tops of large coffee containers to be used for the collection at Carnegie Hall that night. The tops were sealed with scotch tape. There were 50 containers.

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Work done - 5 stencils run for Ruth Shulman. 135 copies, each. More letters stuffed. Of the 1000 to go out there are still over 200 to be stuffed and none have been addressed yet.

Carnegie Hall

--- 7:30 P.M.

Those seen at the meeting -

Sylvia Hall
Jean Smith
Ruth Shulman
Jack Shulman
Wm. Weinstone
Louis Weinstock

[REDACTED]
Dorothy Robinson
Charlie Dirba
Mike Davidow
Mildred McAdore
Ann Rochester
Jack Statchel
Trachtenberg
Sadie Van Veen
Oakley Johnson

[REDACTED]
Gene Dennis
Saul Gross

[REDACTED]
Ben Davis
Si Gerson
Morris Schappes

Martin Stern
Rebecca Lerner
Evelyn Weiner
Bella Althuler
Wm. Albertson
Herb Aptheker
Wm. Patterson
Mimi Freedlander
Max Gordon
June Gordon
Charles Handley
Arnold Johnson
Those on the stage -
Wm. Albertson acted as the M.C.

Arnold Johnson
Ben Davis

[REDACTED]
Gene Dennis
Sadie Van Veen

[REDACTED]
Charlie Dirba
Mildred McAdore
Wm. Patterson
Wm. Weinstone
Ann Rochester
Carl Brodsky
Jack Statchel
Morris Schappes? (others)

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The man called Morris Schappes is not a certainty as he was in his shirt sleeves and wore no hat. It looked like him but can't be positive, because of distance.

Arnold Johnson was the first speaker- Gene Dennis - Ben Davis and there was a lengthy tape recording of Wm. Foster.

All expressed the same ideas. and telegrams were sent to President Eisenhour demanding that the troops stationed in Japan and other places in the Pacific be recalled and sent to Little Rock instead.

There were less that 2000 people there. More than 60% were over 50 years of age. Youth seemed to be about 2%. Many people were seen leaving early. One woman who brought her three children was heard telling another woman that she was disappointed and she and the children left before the talks began.

When Wm. Albertson began the "pitch" for the collection many were seen leaving. He called for the \$50.00 contributions first and three people responded. These three contributions are set up - the money comes from the sections and clubs, and are not individual as they appear to be.

Sylvia Hall said the take was very little and it was noticed that people were slow about putting bills into the containers. Most of the contributions were in silver.

It is not known positively that the grey haired woman from the Worker is Merle Brodsky but she was seen coming in with him. They spoke to Sylvia Hall and came in the rear entrance. She was heard telling Sylvia that they had had their dinner.

There was to be some kind of intertainment but the collections took so long that much of it was by-passed.

Wm. Albertson said in making the pitch that Charlie Dirba and Alex Tractenberg were charter members and had been faithfull to the C.P. and had carried out every duty they had ever been called on to do. He also said that "regardless of all obstacles" the Election campaign for Ben Davis will go on.

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He said that telegrams would be sent to the President demanding that Gil Green and Henry Winston be released at once. Another telegram went to the President and to Dulles condemning the "attack on China by American Imperialists and Wall Street manopolist who are bent on starting a total war."

He read a telegram from the Communist Party of China that said that they "Greeted the Communist Party of America as brothers" and it said that the Imperialist War mongers of America are not doing the American people any good, as Communist China is growing in strength and is fully able to beat down any attempts of the "American war mongers to enslave China". He also went into a lengthy speil about how the U.S.S.R. is trying to maintain peace in the world and assured those listening that the trouble in Little Rock and else where was something done to take the American people's minds off of the trouble in the East. That "U.S.A. manopoli was out to rule the world."

He also talked about troubles in Cuba and said that the U.S.A. was giving aid to the murderers who killed any one suspected of being a communist. He told some very horrible tales of women being killed and their breasts being cut off- young people found dead on groops, with nails driven through their skulls. A telegram was to be sent to the United Nations complaining of the help given to the murderers of Cuba.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-28303)(7-5)

10/20/58

SA JOSEPH E. CHESTNUT (7-9)

CP, USA - NY DIVISION
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Identity of Source: [redacted] Confidential Source,
has had furnished reliable
info in past (attest)

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Description of Info: Report on 35th Anniversary

of CP held 9/20/58

Date Received:

10/13/58

Resolved by:

SA JOSEPH E. CHESTNUT (written)

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- 1- [redacted] (7-5)
- 1- NY 100-11352 (WILLIAM A. [redacted]) (7-5)
- 1- NY 100-28307 (EUGENE [redacted]) (7-5)
- 1- NY 100-28308 (HEN DAVES) (7-5)
- 1- NY 100-28301 (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (7-5)
- 1- NY 100-28305 (WILLIAM Z. [redacted]) (7-5)
- 1- NY 100-28309 (HAROLD [redacted]) (10-12)
- ① NY 100-4021 (CP, USA) (7-5)
- 1- NY 100-28303 (7-5)

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10/13/58.

The celebration of the 35th Anniversary of the Communist Party of the U. S. took place in the Carnegie Hall on September 23, 1958, in New York City.

The Mezzanine and the first balcony were fully occupied, and there was a scattering of people in the second balcony. The audience consisted primarily of older people of Jewish descent, Irish Negroes, Puerto Ricans and Orientals. However, in the last wing of the second balcony there was a predominance of young people of mixed race. They behaved lively and once or twice broke out into a spontaneous singing when there was a brief pause in the program.

The main speaker was Ben Davis. In his speech he criticized the American foreign policy, especially the fact of the nonrecognition of Communist China. He also criticized the American domestic policy, calling the American high officials and the President bad names. On the other hand, he praised Russia and their tremendous social and economic progress.

Mr. Johnson spoke of all those Communist heroes who were killed or imprisoned unjustly and that we cannot let them go. Mr. Davis spoke of the discrimination of the C. P. There was also a recorded speech by W. S. Foster, who was too sick to come to the celebration. A Negro woman from the Committee of Election of Ben Davis, spoke of Ben Davis as a man and that he stands for, called for volunteers to help on the Committee, and urged everybody not to disqualify themselves as voters by forgetting to register.

Mr. Albertson also acted as the Chairman of the rally and greetings from the CP from all over the world. Of particular significance was a letter from Cuban C.P. in

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which all the killing, maiming, and torturing going on in Cuba was blamed on the U. S.

The program was concluded by a dramatic presentation of past history of C.P., with its first victims, victims of persecution, and victories. The audience was divided, and two spot lights were directed at two four people (one black headed girl with Harold Collins, and one young Negro with a young white man) who were depicting the struggle that C.P. had to fight. They also expressed hope that C. P. will come out victorious at the end. Behind the stage a group of young people provided background music.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

FROM : SA J. WILMER MIRANDON (12-0)

SUBJECT : CP, USA
IS-C

DATE: 10/16/58

Identity of Source: [redacted] who is in a position to furnish reliable info (conceal)

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Description of info: CP Rally 9/26/58 at Carnegie Hall

Date Received: 10/2/58

Received by: SA J. WILMER MIRANDON (orally)

Original located: [redacted]

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1-New York (100-26018) (FNU WEINSTOCK, believed to be LOUIS WEINSTOCK) (7-5)

1-New York (100-133486) (FNU [redacted], believed to be [redacted]) (12-10)

1-New York (100-) (AL. MASON)

1-New York (100-) [redacted]

1-New York (100-) [redacted]

1-New York (100-129629) (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (7-6)

1-New York (100-23825) (BEN DAVIS) (7-5)

1-New York (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (12-12)

1-New York (100-) (MRS. MAGEE)

1-New York (100-79025) (MILDRED MC ADORY) (12-15)

1-New York (100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS) (7-5)

1-New York (100-16021) (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (7-5)

1-New York (100-9360) (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) (7-5)

1-New York (100-133594) (FSS) (7-1)

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On Sept. 26, 1958, an anniversary rally for the 39th year of the Communist Party was held at Carnegie Hall, N.Y.C. About 1,000 people were present, most of whom were rather elderly. Observed in the audience were Harold Collins, Joe North, _____ Weinstock, & _____ all of whom are instructors at the social science school. Also seen was Al Mason, the doctor from the Dominican Republic, and a number of students formerly of the social science school. _____ wife of _____ was present. On the platform were William Albertson, who presided; Ben Davis; Herb Aptheker; Mrs. Magee, wife of the electrocuted Willie Magee; Mildred McAdory, Eugene Dennis, and Arnold Johnson. A tape recording of William Z. Foster's voice was heard.

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Telegrams from CP central committees throughout the world were read congratulating the CP, USA. Albertson proposed protesting the Chinese situation to the President and to the Secretary of State. He condemned "American Imperialism in China" which was the keynote of the entire evening. Ben Davis proposed sending the US fleet from Formosa up the Arkansas River to Little Rock instead, and he also said that if we start a war capitalism will be destroyed.

Mildred McAdory said many petition signatures had been disqualified in the Ben Davis campaign.

At the end of the program they had a theatrical presentation.

A collection was taken after the second speech in order to obtain funds for Ben Davis, radio time, posters, etc.

Generally it was not a particularly enthusiastic rally or crowd.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)(7-5) DATE: 10/16/58
FROM : SA [REDACTED] (7-6)
SUBJECT: CP, - USA
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Identity of Source: [REDACTED] who has furnished
reliable info in past (conceal)

Description of Info: 39th CP anniversary celebration,
9/26/58

Date received: 9/29/58

Received by: SA [REDACTED] (written)

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1 - [REDACTED] (INV) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-60640 (HAROLD COLLINS) (12-12)
1 - NY 100-134384 [REDACTED] (12-15)
1 - NY 100-123930 (ELEANOR LNU, at 39th CP anniversary celebration
9/26/58, per [REDACTED] (7-2)
1 - NY 100-82775 (GEORGE LNU, at 39th CP anniversary celebration,
9/26/58, per [REDACTED] (7-2)
1 - NY 100-80532 (HERBERT APTHEKER) (12-12)
1 - NY 100-27452 (ROBERT THOMPSON) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-23825 (BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR.) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-11164 (ARTHUR WHITE) (12-15)
1 - NY 100- [REDACTED] (GLENDA MAC DONALD)
1 - NY 100-133566 (JEANNETTE ROSENBERG) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-54965 (JOHN AMM) (7-5)

1 - NY 100-9360 (WILLIAM FOSTER) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-79717 (CP, USA - POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-86624 (CP, USA - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS) (7-5)
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9/27/58

On 9/26/58 the 39th year celebration of the Communist Party was held at Carnegie Hall at 8:00 PM. Among the approximately 900 people attending were: Harold Collins, Claude, Eleanore, George, Professor Aptheker, Bob Thompson, Benjamin Davis Jr., Arthur White and Glenda Mac Donald (FN, 5'9", 200 pounds, 37 years old, hoarse voice, campaign chairman for Mr. Davis). The last four were speakers. The name of the chairman of the convention and one other speaker is unknown. Also attending this gathering was Jeannie Rosenberg.

Arthur White the Civil Liberties chairman for the Communist Party stated that the imprisonment of Winston and Green is a blackmailing deal on the part of the U.S. White continued by saying that this is not unusual for the United States has a long history of dirty dealings with its people. White traced history by rising examples such as the Alien and Sedition Acts, Zenger, and the treatment of the negroes. He further stated that for 300 years the negroes have been ill-treated.

Glenda Mac Donald stated in defending Benjamin Davis Jr. that they had gotten together 5900 votes and the Board of Elections denied practically all of them. She further stated that one of the reasons was that many were illegible. She then commented on the point that one of the names they refused was John Adams a lawyer, and also that if these same people had registered for the Democratic or Republican parties their names would be legible. Miss Mac Donald drew a similarity between this treatment of the Negroes in Harlem and the South's attitude toward the Negroes in regard to literacy tests and ability to vote and considered them to be of the same coin. She went on to say that when the 5900 votes were not accepted they, the party, were able within a few weeks to obtain 6,000 signatures. In order to guarantee that everything would go well she asked everyone who had signed and those who had not to be at the Campaign headquarters on Lenox Ave. & 125 St. on 9/28 ? for registration purposes.

The chairman during the convention read various telegrams from other countries congratulating the Communist

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Party on their Anniversary. There was a letter from Cuba by a youth group stating in detail the atrocities caused by the Bautista Regime especially to the young people of Cuba. The chairman after receiving an "aye" from the audience stated that a telegram would be sent to President Eisenhower telling him to break off all relations with Bautista and to give support to the people of the country.

Benjamin Davis Jr spoke of the monopolistic tendencies of the Dulles-Rockefeller combine to threaten the peace of the world in the Quemoy dispute. Davis stated that he has been told that Eisenhower was a good general, however, as a President he is a washout. Furthermore went on Davis if his policies which are slowly pushing us to a Third World War go on he should be impeached. Davis stated that the Communist Party is working for the unions and for good race relations. The troops should be removed from Lebanon, the Far East and sent to Little Rock, continued Davis, and that the relations of the Negro & white is one of the prime concerns of the Communist Party.

There was a tape recording by William Foster head of the Communist Party who encouraged greater membership in the Communist Party, stressed the allegiance that the Party has had and has to all the working class people of the world. He also stressed the great advancements of the Socialist countries of the World & the inestable downfall of the Capitalists.

The last presentation of the evening was a "skit" presented by 3 men one of them being Harold Collins and a woman. There was background singing for effect. The idea of the dramatization was to show where and for how long a period of time has Communism been in the minds of man. They traced themselves back to the slaves in Egypt, the massacred indians of America, the workers at the Ford Plant and the other large corporations in the 30's who were so much against labor rights during the 30's. They also spoke of the Rosenbergs and stated that the night before their death a man from Washington came to the prison and stated that there is a line open to Washington and if they would give the information that the President wanted they would be given their freedom.

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I attended the 39th Anniversary meeting, celebration of the Communist Party, U.S. at Carnegie Hall, on Friday night Sept. 26.

The chairman for the meeting was Bill Alberston who opened the meeting at about eight thirty.

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1 - New York (100-107419) (EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE) (7-1)
1 - New York (100-86624) (CP, USA - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS) (#7-5)
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1 - New York (100-115575) (PEOPLE'S RIGHTS PARTY) (#7-1)
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On the dais were, Gene Dennis, Bob Thompson, Ben Davis, Bill Patterson, William Weinstone, [redacted], Mrs Willie Mc Gee, Arnold Johnson, Sam Nesson and his wife, Sadie Van Veen Amter.

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Some of the people attending this meeting were, Mimi Freidlander, Nan Dickman, [redacted], Bernie Addes, Ben and Jennie Ratner, Celia Vosk, Sophie Epstein, Esther Scheffer, Al Paula, [redacted] Max Kraemer, Louis Weinstock, Sadie - from Prospect, and about 900 others.

The meeting was opened with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner by a young man, after Bill Alberston spoke a few words of introduction, welcoming all to this the 39th Celebration of the C.P. He gave a brief account of the history of the Party and after passing through some critical times we are here again gathered together and still fighting for Socialism and Peace.

He introduced the first speaker, Arnold Johnson, the Civil Liberties Chairman of the Communist Party who spoke about Gil Green and Henry Winston. In his remarks he cited case after case in our American history, from the earliest days to the present where political prisoners have been pardoned from prison, and here in the year 1958 two of the last Political prisoners are still suffering in jail.

They have served their time; they are eligible for parole, but the Parole board does not make an attempt to set them free, therefore this meeting tonight should send telegrams to President Eisenhower and the Parole Board urging them to use their influence in setting the last two Political prisoners, Gil Green, and Henry Winston free to return to their families now.

We were also urged to send letters and telegrams to the above mentioned as soon as possible.

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Bill read greetings from the Central Committees of the Communist Parties of Argentina, Venezuela, Peru, Columbia to the Communist Party of the U.S. Celebrating the 39th Anniversary.

He also read a letter from a Youth and Socialist group of Cuba to the C.P. of the U.S. outlining many acts of violence and brutality by the Batista government against this youth group for their activities, in many instances these acts of violence have resulted in murder.

In reference to this letter it was urged that this meeting send letters and telegrams to President Ike and Sec. of State Dulles demanding that they use their influence in stopping all financial aid to the Batista government, and also a copy of this letter.

The next speaker as introduced by Bill was Gene Dennis the general secretary of the C.P. His remarks centered around the world situations, Lebanon, the near East, the current crisis in and around the Chinese mainland, Quemoy and Matsu, Formosa, how the U.S. and the world Imperialist are continuing their threat of war mainly against the Socialist Countries. How the world Imperialist, Dulles, Ike and now the Rockfellers are leading the fight to restrain over 800 million people or 1/3 of the World population from gaining their freedom.

The situation here at home where the Negro is still restrained from voting, from a decent education, even after a Supreme Court decision, and then still after years of fighting the events at Little Rock, where a Governor continues to ignore Negroes right as assured by the Constitution, and a Supreme Court ruling, closes the Central High school in direct defiance of the law.

This is a sample of what the Communist Party stands for and is continuously fighting for, for the right of the

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Negro people, all minorities, and Socialism. This is why we are celebrating our 39th birthday, this is why so many of our loyal followers are here today with us, and that is why we extend our warmest greetings to our beloved Chairman William Z. Foster and wish him many years of health and happiness, and extend our deepest regret that he is unable to be here with us tonight, but is here with us in in all that we plan to do and for eventual Socialism.

Our Party has weathered the storms of witchhunts, trials, prison, trouble within our own ranks but regardless of all this we have still functioned and will continue to do so until we reach our goal with other peoples of the Socialist world Socialism.

Bill read greetings from the Central Committee of China C.P. on this our 39th birthday.

Bill proposed that this meeting send a telegram to Pres. Eisenhower and J. Foster Dulles urging them to use their power of office, to remove the threat of war, including all ships etc. from the Quemoy, Matsu area and leave the settling of this China problem to the Chinese people.

The next speaker, although not present, because of a serious illness, but insisted that he address this gathering through a recording, the beloved Chairman of our Party, William Z. Foster, who spoke on the history of the C.P. here in the U.S. since its inception in 1919. The numerous struggles, the hunger march, the fight for home relief, the fight in building the unions, the struggles for the Scottsboro boys, for the struggle to save the Trenton six, Willie Mc Gee the Mitches case, and the many other national and international struggles, the fight for Negro rights, all these and hundreds more are hidden away in the pages of history of the U.S. Communist Party of which we are proud to be a part of.

Our Party has undergone through many struggles, many of our people have left our ranks, our Party has suffered

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because of our serious mistakes but regardless of all these we will continue to flourish and gather strength if we abide with the teachings of Marx and Engels, and Lenin.

Foster expressed grave concern for our Party, and urges us to continue along these lines regardless of what struggles we must face and although he cannot be with us here tonight he is nevertheless thinking about us and sends his warmest greetings on this the 39th Anniversary of the birth of the CP. in the U.S.

Bill introduced to the audience, many prominent people, here on the dais who have contributed greatly in one way or another to the growth of the Communist Party here in the U.S. Among these Sadie Van Veen Amter, [redacted] Mrs. Willie Mc Gee, Bill Patterson, and others too numerous to mention.

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The next point made by Bill was a collection speech and announcement, for the defense and Political Campaign for Ben Davis.

As we all know Tammany Hall and the Board of Elections have thrown out the 5988 signatures which were collected by the Ben Davis Committee for the placing of Ben Davis name on the ballot for Senator in the 21st Senatorial district in Harlem.

This move is purely a political one and we know they have no justification in doing that, but nevertheless they have and the Ben Davis Committee is protesting under the name of the People Rights Party against this move and the case is coming up this Tuesday Sept 30, at Foley Sq. and the Board of elections must show proof of their charges. We urge all to support us in this fight for the people of Harlem in the 21 st Senatorial district to elect a representative of their choice to the State legeslature.

This collection; although not legal, we are selling a leaflet, A Peoples Program For Jobs and Security,

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to everyone who gives a donation of \$100.00, for \$50.00, for \$25.00 etc. This money was to be used for radio television Press, leaflets etc. for the Davis Campaign.

Bill next read greetings from the Communist Party of Inda.

The next speaker was Ben Davis's Campaign Sec. a young Negro Woman who outlined the Campaign from start to finish, how the near 6,000 signatures were gotten and turned, how careful they were not to make mistakes, of the hard work involved, by the few people day after day, week after week, and then to have the Board of Elections, and Tammany Hall declare them void because of certain alleged discreptance, like, some of the people who signed the petitions could not read or write.

She outlined in great detail what steps this Committee is going to take if and when the courts decide next Tuesday, that the People Rights Party can place the name of Ben Davis on the ballot in accordance with the wishes of the people of the 21st Senatorial district in Harlem. If they vote against the Peoples Rights Party then we will launch a rousing campaign anyway.

This Sunday Sept. 28, at 10³⁰ A.M. at 306 Lenox Ave. we are having a rally and all are urged to attend. On Oct. 9-10-11 is registration and this Committee is going to do a bang up job in getting people out to register and from thereon in will instruct them in their use of the voting machine etc.

The next and last speaker was Ben Davis and he received a tremendous ovation when Bill introduced him. From the very begining of Davis speach when he blasted the Foreign Policy of the U.S. all over the world, Lebanon Quemoy, Matsu, Formosa, to the Policy of a Faubus in Little Rock he held the audience keyed, by his fiery and sharp ciitical remarks,

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He urged that the American should Impeach Eisenhower because of his foreign policy, of his continuous threat of plunging the American people and the world into a nuclear war, because of his complacency around the situation in Little Rock, how the Negro people and children are deprived of their Constitutional rights, of freedom, education, the right to Vote, of the Jim Crow Policy which has to go now, and it will not happen if we remain silent much longer.

Davis urged us all to support the March or Crusade to Washington on Oct. 25, this will have a lasting effect on all the people if successful.

The last part of the meeting was a dramatization by four people a young white man, and a Negro man on one side of the dais, another white man and Mimi Friedlander on the other, they read from a prepared script while music played in in the background, depicting the history of the C.P. in the U.S.

The meeting was over about ten-thirty.

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Report

Communist Party U.S.A.
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Sept. 28, 1958
New York.

re: 39th anniversary meeting of the C.P.U.S.A.

Some 1,500 people came to the "Ben Davis Election Rally and 39th anniversary of the Communist Party U.S.A." on Sept. 26th, 1958 at Carnegie Hall in New York. Bill Albertson, N.Y. State Secretary of the C.P., chaired the meeting.

The meeting opened with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner.

Albertson spoke of the "glorious achievements and struggles of the Communist Party. He spoke of the "hunger demonstrations" which the C.P. led in 1930 which resulted in the passing of the Social Security law. Albertson spoke of the C.P. struggle against war and fascism and racial discrimination and about the role of the C.P. in the trade union movement which led to the organization of the C.I.O.

Albertson declared that the "American Communist Party is dedicated to bring Socialism to America."

Albertson told the meeting that on the occasion of the 39th anniversary the CPUSA received congratulation from many communist parties: from China; the Soviet Union; India, Japan, Argentina, Mexico, etc.

He picked out to read to the meeting a letter received from the Socialist Youth of Cuba which describes the fight of the Youth of Cuba against the Batista fascist dictatorship. The letter asks for support to the youth of Cuba in this struggle.

On the suggestion of the chairman the meeting authorized the sending of telegrams to the President and to Secretary of State Dulles to withdraw the recognition of the Batista government of Cuba and to give all possible support to the Socialist youth of Cuba in it's struggle against the Batista government.

Arnold Johnson gave a short review of the history of "political prisoners" in the United States up to Morton Sobell. He stated that "Gill Green and Henry Winston are the only two remaining Smith Act prisoners." He told the meeting that Norman Thomas

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and 33 leading Americans wrote to the President asking to pardon Green and Winstone. Johnson asked the people to write letters to the President and to the Parole Board asking for their release from prison.

At the chairman's suggestion the meeting authorized the sending of telegrams to the President and to the Parole Board asking for the release of Gill Green and Henry Winston.

Gene Dennis, when introduced by the chairman, received a half standing and half sitting ovation.

Dennis voiced his "greetings to Bill Foster" who cannot be at this meeting because of being seriously sick. Dennis said that "as American patriots and proletarian internationalist we, American Communists, demand the immediate withdrawal of American troops from Formosa." Analyzing "the world political situation" and the "situation in the Far East" Dennis said is "a direct result of the aggressive policy of the American imperialist government."

Dennis stated that "the aggressive policy of Washington to the people's government of China carries with it the great danger of a destructive atomic war." He stated that the "arming of Chang-Kai-Shek by Washington serves only the interests of the American imperialists," and that the statements of Secretary of State Dulles on the "atomic defense of Quemoy and Matsu plays into the hands of such oil millioners as the Rockefellers and such reactionary politicians as Senator Knowland. A war against China would be just plain crazy." He called for the "mobilization of the workers, the Negro people and all progressive forces of the country for a movement against American intervention in the Far East." Dennis called for the withdrawal of American troops "from Asia, Africa, from the Middle and the Far East and to send them instead to Little Rock."

Dennis concluded his speech with the statement that "America needs a Communist Party and a stronger Communist Party."

The meeting authorized the sending of telegrams to the President and Secretary Dulles against "intervention in the inner affairs" of China and to stop the arming of Chang-Kai-Shek.

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Mildred Mc Adory, Negro woman, secretary of the Ben Davis election campaign in Harlem attacked the N.Y. State Commission of Elections for voiding the "almost 6,000" signatures on petitions to place Ben Davis on the ballot. She told the meeting that the Negro and Puerto Rican population of Harlem is shocked with this "irresponsible action" of Elections Commission and that it will give its answer to the "Republican and Democratic machines by writing in Davis's name on election day in the coming November."

She urged everyone to come every day and evenings to the Ben Davis headq. in Harlem. "There is much work to be done from now on until election day. We will ring thousands of bells and ask to people to vote for Ben; to write in his name."

Bill Albertson asked for donations. The money that will be collected at this meeting, he said, will be used for the Ben Davis election campaign: for leaflets; for a special edition of The Worker; for Radio and for, "if there will be enough money," TV appearances.

The collection was made in the form of "selling" a pamphlet "A People's Program For Jobs and Security" issued by the National Comm. CPUSA a few months ago. Each donator received a pamphlet. There was one donation of \$100, 3 donations of \$50 each. There were tens, fives and one dollar donations. The collection amounted to about \$700.

Ben Davis received a 90% standing ovation when he was introduced as the last speaker. Speaking about the 39th anniversary of the CPUSA he stated that "the Communist Party will not and cannot be destroyed." He said that the C.P. was "able to withstand the onslaught of the government and the fight against the right revisionist and the left secterians. The Communist Party is the real voice of socialism in America. Our concept of socialist isn't some kind of a socialism which is in the minds of some people as something vague and undefined. Our socialism is the socialism of the Soviet Union and China." He called for the building of a strong C.P.

Davis spoke about the "struggle" for Negro rights, for school integration and he underlined that the Communist Party "is

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the party which fights for the Negro people." He also underlined that the "attacks upon the Negro people in Little Rock and in other states in the South will be marked as a black mark on this history of America."

Davis said that "as long as there is one Negro child in the country which is deprived of attending a school because of segregation no one in America is free."

On the question of Quemoy and Matsu Ben Davis stated that the "Washington administration's policy on China might lead us to a terrible war...Eisenhower was a great general but as a political leader, as a President he is a wash-out. Should the President continue to enforce his policy (on China) than he should be impeached." He concluded with: "The Negro people, the American nation must be drawn into the struggle against a world war and into the struggle for humane rights for the millions of the Negro citizens of America."

The last number on the program was a presentation written by [redacted] in which among others appeared Mimi and Harold Collins. During this number people started to leave the hall.

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I was told that at the meeting were "quite a few" Communists who left the C.P. during the last two years. I saw at the meeting Chorover. He left the C.P. about a year ago.

The audience at Carnegie was a united one. Elderly people and middle age people were in the majority.

There were about 250 youths. A group of some 60 youth occupied a part of the family circle section of Carnegie Hall.

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1- NY 100- [REDACTED] (CAROL LNU, W/F, from Queens, per [REDACTED])
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1- NY 100- [REDACTED] (12-10)
1- NY 100-16021 (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (7-5)
1- NY 100-9365 (WM.Z. FOSTER) (7-5)
1- NY 100-136078 (Provisional Committee to Reconstitute
the CP, USA) (7-5)
1- NY 100- (BURT - W/M friend of WM.L.PATTERSON -
[REDACTED] (12-14)
1- NY 100- (Mrs. BURT. W/F friend of WM.L.PATTERSON -
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1- NY 100- (PAUL HOFFMAN) (7-2)

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Sept. 29, 1958.

39th Anniversary of the CP celebration at Carnegie Hall, NYC, Friday evening 9/26/58.

Among those noted at this celebration were Jean Smith Schermer; Ruth Roberts; Robert Thompson; Ben Davis; Eugene Dennis; Wm L. Patterson and [redacted] Bill Turner; [redacted] Paul and [redacted] Hoffman; Willie Mc Adory; Bill Albertson; Mrs. Willie Magee; [redacted] Ernest Harris from Harlem; Stan Goodman; Emil Shaw; [redacted] Jess Kern; Freeman Robinson; Mr. and Mrs. Lou Burnham; Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson; Bob Libell of 1918 Ave. H., Brooklyn, NY; [redacted] Marvin Markman; [redacted] Rick, the negro male who is a member of the Youth for Ben Davis; Harold Collins; Fred Jerome; Lenny Potash; [redacted] an associate of Harold Collins; Vic, a white male who attends Brooklyn Tech H.S.; Gene, a white male from the Bronx [redacted] from Staten Island; a white female named [redacted] from Philadelphia; Carol, the white female from Queens, NY, who is the friend of Bill Turner; and a white female carrying books which had the name [redacted] NY. This girl is 19-20 yrs. of age, 5'7", large frame, solid build and has light brown hair. Also present was a white male and his wife both about 55, both white haired called Bert or Burt who own a 1950-51 green 4 door Pontiac sedan and who drove Wm. L. Patterson and his daughter back to Brooklyn.

This girl [redacted] from Philadelphia was also present at the first NY Youth Committee meeting at 86 Stanton St., NYC, and she said that she was in New York to attend the Eastern Seaboard Youth Conference, 9/27/58, in New York City. She is white female, 5'6" or 7", hair-dark brown cut in bangs in front, about 20 years old, and said that she is a junior at the University of Pennsylvania.

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[redacted] said that she, [redacted] is working at a job now in the building, District 65, at 13 Astor Pl., Manhattan, NY.

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It is estimated that 1500-2000 people were present in Carnegie Hall. Speakers were Arnold Johnson, Dennis, Thompson and Davis. A talk by Foster was given by tape recording to the crowd.

During Davis' talk he said in part, "Nothing is going to stop us. We are on the road to socialism.--- Not even revolutionary movements from within, no matter how revolutionary." This evidently was a reference to the 'ultra-left.'

Some literature was passed out at the celebration concerning various activities which you will receive.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

FROM : SA EDWARD G. ASTFALK (12-10)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
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DATE: 10/13/58

Identity of Source: [REDACTED]

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- 1-New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (7-5)
- 1-New York (100-23825) (BEN DAVIS) (7-5)
- 1-New York (100-18272) [REDACTED] (7-6)
- 1-New York (100-13447) (SAM NESIN) (7-6)
- 1-New York (100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS) (7-5)
- 1-New York (100-129629) (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (7-6)
- 1-New York (100-79025) (MILDRED MC ADORY) (12-15)
- 1-New York (100-115575) (PRP) (7-1)
- 1-New York (100-4931) (7-5)

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On Friday September 26, 1958, at 8: pm a communist sponsored rally was held at Carnegie Hall, 57th Street and Seventh Avenue, NYC. This rally according to the official communist newspaper entitled (The Worker) was held to celebrate the 39th anniversary of the American Communist Party and to agitate against the policies of the government of the United States of America, and to further agitate against the internal social and economic structure of the United States.

Present and on the rostrum at this rally, were Benjamin Davis, Mr and Mrs Sam Nesin, Eugene Dennis, the party's Natl; Sec., William Albertson, New York State Sec. and Mildred McAdory and app. 12-other persons.

Their were app. 900-persons in attendance at this meeting.

Mildred Mc Adory, a light complexioned negro F. Heavy and stocky, Age Ht. 6' wt. spoke of hard and difficult work ahead for all communists, she spoke of negro and white solidarity. Miss also spoke in detail concerning the position of communist Party in-regards to what she referred to as the disenfranchisement of negro voters in Harlem. She condemned the challengers of the Benjamin Davis Petition and said that they will not get away with their dirt. She said that they are already familiar with justice in the courts, and that in the event the court renders an unfavorable decision, that the communist party has some very special plans which would go into effect immediately. She said that out of 6,000 signatures, that the sum of 5,021 were stricken from the petition and challenged on the false excuse that the signatures were illegible.

Well nothing is stopping us from showing people how to substitute the name of our candidate on the ballot. We will set up groups throughout the city to teach people the correct way to scratch out the names of the opposition candidates and how to legibly insert the name of the Peoples Party candidate on the ballot.

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Benjamin Davis commenced by paying his respect to the 39th Anniversary of The American Communist Party. He made quick mention of its past struggles and achievements. He spoke of its long hist. in the struggle to consolidate workers of USA. He said that the communist party has been at the forefront of a major struggle of the people, Negro, Labor, etc.

He spoke out against what he termed american-imperialism, and The John Foster Dulles "brink of war" tactics in respect to existing china situation.

He Benjamin Davis also spoke about and praised the level of social, and economic achievement and accomplishments of the USSR, and the socialist countries.

He said that The communist party will now fight harder than ever for unity of negro people within their own ranks as well as well as with their fellow white workers and allies for immediate desegregation of all schools.

Davis said that for more than two-hundred years that the negro has been deprived of this right, while the new Eisenhower doctrine is, (lets go slow) Quote, "damn takeing it slow", after 200 yrs, they still want to take it slow, Davis reiterated, we want immediate desegregation of the schools.

Ben Davis announced that the youth march that was previously scheduled for October 16th, will not now take place until Oct. 25th, 1958 according to Benjamin Davis this youth march is being sponsored by the AFL*CTO.

There was a dramatic reading and presentation of events and episodes in which the communist party and its members have played major roles in and or have been direct participants of, since the year 1919.

Benjamin Davis rounded up his speech by telling the audience that he rounded up his harlem campaign with the actual recruitment and takeing of new (young) membs with in the ranks of the communist party.

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603)

DATE: 10/13/58

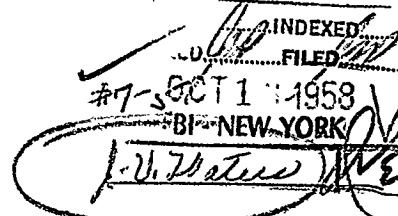
FROM: SA [REDACTED] (#7-6)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - NEW YORK DISTRICT
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On the evening of 9/26/58, SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] attended the 39th Anniversary celebration of the Communist Party held at Carnegie Hall, 57th Street and 7th Avenue, NYC.

- 1 - NY 100-128804 (CP, USA NY DISTRICT-YOUTH) (#7-6)
 - 1 - NY 100-86624 (CP, USA INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS) (#7-5)
 - ① - NY 100-4931 (CPUSA) (#7-5)
 - 1 - NY 100-128815 (CP, USA NY DISTRICT-NEGRO QUESTION) (#7-6)
 - 1 - NY 100-115575 (PEOPLE'S RIGHTS PARTY) (#7-5)
 - 1 - NY 100-128812 (CP, USA NY DISTRICT POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (#7-6)
 - 1 - NY 100-128823 (CP, USA NY DISTRICT DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION) (#7-6)
 - 1 - NY 100-128805 (CP, USA NY DISTRICT-WOMENS MATTERS) (#7-6)
 - 1 - NY 100-120215 (LILLIAN IMMERMANN) (#12-14)
 - 1 - NY 100-58535 (CONSTANTINE RADZIE) (#12-15)
 - 1 - NY 100-88546 (MANNIA RADZIE) (#12-15)
 - 1 - NY 100-16785 (JAMES E. JACKSON) (#7-5)
 - 1 - NY 100-13527 (DAVE SALES) (#12-13)
 - 1 - NY 100-88013 [REDACTED] (#12-15)
 - 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#12-12)
 - 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (#12-12)
 - 1 - NY 100-102944 (STANLEY LUBKA) (#12-14)
 - 1 - NY 100-9595 (WILLIAM WEINSTONE) (#7-6)
 - 1 - NY 100-50094 (ESTHER CANTOR) (#7-6)
 - 1 - NY 100-54555 (EVELYN WIENER) (#12-14)
 - 1 - NY 100-85936 (PEARL LAWS) (#12-12)
 - 1 - NY 100-99369 (ALLEN LAWS) (#12-12)
 - 1 - NY 100-134174 [REDACTED] (#12-10)
 - 1 - NY 100-129629 (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (#7-6)
 - 1 - NY 100-79025 (MILDRED MC ADORY EDELMAN) (#7-5)
 - 1 - NY 100-26603
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ATTENDANCE

The estimated attendance was between 1,000 and 1,300 persons. Of these, over 50 per cent was female, mostly elderly persons and a very small per cent of Negroes were observed in attendance. There was a group of 35 to 40 youths in one section of the balcony.

The following persons were observed by these Special Agents as being in attendance in the audience:

LILLIAN IMMERMAN
CONSTANTINE RADZIE
MANNIA RADZIE
JAMES JACKSON
DAVID SALES



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- 1 - NY 100-8057 (EUGENE DENNIS) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS, JR.) (#7-6)
- 1 - NY 100-27452 (ROBERT THOMPSON) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-16021 (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-84275 (WILLIAM PATTERSON) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-50842 (OAKLEY JOHNSON) (#12-15)
- 1 - NY 100-26776 (CHARLES DIRBA) (#12-15)
- 1 - NY 100-45462 (ROSE BARON) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-102136 [REDACTED] (#17-15)
- 1 - NY 100-111048 (ROSALIE MAGEE) (#12-12)
- 1 - NY 100-104554 (CLARA SHAVELSON) (#12-12)
- 1 - NY 100-9756 (SADIE VAN VEEN AMTER) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-21421 (ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-93665 (MIMI FRIEDLANDER) (#12-10)
- 1 - NY 100-60640 (HAROLD COLLINS) (#7-6)
- 1 - NY 100-13472 (GIL GREEN) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-91308 [REDACTED] (#12-15)
- 1 - NY 100-128314 (CP, USA * NY DISTRICT FUNDS) (#7-6)
- 1 - NY 100-269 (HENRY WINSTON) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-9365 (WILLIAM Z FOSTER) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-133698 (WINSTON - GREEN AMNESTY COMMITTEE) (#7-1)

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PHIL BART
CONNIE BART
STANLEY LUBKA
WILLIAM WEINSTONE
ESTHER CANTOR
EVELYN WIENER
PEARL LAWS
ALLEN LAWS
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The following persons were present on the stage
at Carnegie Hall:

BILL ALBERTSON
MILDRED MC ADORY EDELMAN
EUGENE DENNIS
BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR.
ROBERT THOMPSON
ARNOLD JOHNSON
WILLIAM PATTERSON
OAKLEY JOHNSON
CHARLES DIRBA

The following individuals were introduced as
being present by WILLIAM ALBERTSON:

ROSE BARON
[REDACTED]

Mrs. ROSALIE MAGEE
CLARA SHAVELSON
JAMES DOLSEN
SADIE VAN VEEN AMTER
ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG

MIMI FRIEDLANDER and HAROLD COLLINS were on the
stage during the latter part of the program.

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OPENING REMARKS BY WILLIAM ALBERTSON

The meeting was started at 8:30 p.m. with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. WILLIAM ALBERTSON, who acted as Chairman for the entire meeting was the first speaker. ALBERTSON briefly reviewed the history and highlights of the Communist Party, USA.

ARNOLD JOHNSON

ALBERTSON then introduced ARNOLD JOHNSON as the Chairman of the Civil Liberties Committee of the CP. JOHNSON spoke concerning the status of the struggle to secure amnesty for HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN, pointing out another trail was now open to secure the release of the pair since both were now eligible for parole. JOHNSON urged that telegrams be sent to President EISENHOWER requesting amnesty for GREEN and WINSTON and likewise to the US Board of Parole requesting a hearing for the pair. Following this ALBERTSON announced that this meeting would send such telegrams.

GREETINGS FROM THE VARIOUS CPs

ALBERTSON then read messages of greetings from other Communist Parties, including the Central Committee of Argentina and other Latin American countries. He also read a lengthy letter from the CP Youth of Cuba addressed to the CP youth of the US.

EUGENE DENNIS

ALBERTSON next introduced EUGENE DENNIS, General Secretary, CP, USA, who was given a standing ovation. DENNIS' remarks dealt largely with the Formosa situation. He attacked American policy in this regard stating that the whole situation stemmed from American imperialism. He denounced EISENHOWER, DULLES, TRUMAN, and "the Military clique" as being responsible for dragging the US to the "brink of a nuclear war." He stated that the slogan "No troops to Quemoy" should be adopted. DENNIS concluded by urging the continued building of the CP, USA.

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BILL ALBERTSON then read a letter of greetings from the CP of China.

WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

ALBERTSON next announced a five minute tape recorded speech by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, President Emeritus, CP, USA, and was remorseful that FOSTER could not be present due to his illness.

FOSTER briefly reviewed the history of the CP and stated that the party was on its way back. FOSTER's voice sounded strong and his speech did not falter although it was slow at the beginning and slightly slurred.

INTRODUCTION OF CHARTER MEMBERS AND OTHER
INDIVIDUALS

ALBERTSON next introduced some of the charter members of the CP, who were present and other individuals who had been "outstanding fighters" for various causes in the past. The names of these individuals are set forth in the beginning of this memorandum.

COLLECTION FOR BENJAMIN DAVIS CAMPAIGN

Next on the program was a collection for the BENJAMIN J. DAVIS for State Senator Campaign. ALBERTSON noted that the CP could not take up such a collection; however, in return for contributions the donor would "buy a copy of the CP State Platform", a four page pamphlet. Contributions of \$50.00 on down to any amount were asked for. The Special Agents estimated that over \$1,000.00 was collected. During the collection ALBERTSON read a letter of greetings from the CP of India.

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MILDRED MC ADORY

The next speaker was MILDRED MC ADORY, introduced as the Secretary of the BENJAMIN J. DAVIS Campaign Committee. MC ADORY ~~declared~~ ^{admitted} the fact that over 5,000 signatures on the nominating petition for DAVIS had been invalidated by the "Democratic and Republican ~~controlled~~ Board of Elections. She charged Tammany Hall with interfering with the will and right of the people of Harlem to run a candidate of their choice. MC ADORY noted that through the DAVIS Campaign the CP had recruited some new members especially among the youth. She also announced that a write in campaign for DAVIS would begin on 9/28/58 at the DAVIS Harlem Headquarters.

BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR.

ALBERTSON then introduced BEN DAVIS who was given a standing ovation somewhat more enthusiastic than that given to DENNIS.

DAVIS gave a vociferous speech. He began by attacking the EISENHOWER "wait and see" policy in regard to school integration in the South. He stated that because of this EISENHOWER was "not fit to be President ----- and ought to be impeached". In this same vein DAVIS stated that they "ought to put FAUBUS and EASTLAND in jail and let WINSTON and GREEN out."

DAVIS urged that a union of Negroes, white and labor was needed to struggle for desegregation, immediately, stating that the "Jim Crow system in America has to go and its got to go now."

Commenting on the CP, DAVIS expressed the belief that the party was rebuilding and was becoming better and that in the future it would reach its objective, Socialism. DAVIS stated that "We must have a fighting Communist Party because what is a Communist Party that will not fight?" He concluded stating that the

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CP was for peacefull transition to Socialism, however, "if the people in Washington want to push us into a nuclear war it will mark the end of Jim Crow in America and the end of capitalism ." With this remark DAVIS ended and received the warmest applause of any of the speakers.

The remainder of the program was taken up with a dramatic presentation written by [redacted] which included MIMI FRIEDLANDER and HAROLD COLLINS. This was generally received with an air of apathy.

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The program concluded at approximately 10:55 p.m.

Upon departing one elderly lady was overheard commenting on the program that "it was too long."

Information concerning JAMES DOLSEN's presence at this affair is being made the subject of a separate letter to Pittsburgh.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603) ⁴⁹³¹

FROM : SA J. WILMER MIRANDON (12-0)

DATE 10/9/58

SUBJECT: CP, USA
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 1-New York (100-129629) (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (7-6)
 1-New York (100-23825) (BEN DAVIS) (7-5)
 1-New York (100-79026) (MILDRED [REDACTED]) attended 39th Anniversary Rally, CP, 9/26/58 (7-2) (12-15)
 1-New York (100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS) (7-5)
 1-New York (100-16021) (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (7-5)
 1-New York (100-107111) (NAT'L COMM. TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL) (7-1)
 1-New York (100-74560) (CP, USA FUNDS) (7-5)
 1-New York (100-51820) (JSSS) (7-1)
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Sept. 30, 1958

On Friday night, Sept. 26, 1958, a celebration of the 39th Anniversary of the Communist Party was held at Carnegie Hall. The downstairs portion of the hall was filled and there were people scattered in the balconies. About 1200 were present.

William Albertson was chairman and introduced the speakers who included Ben Davis, Mildred _____, Eugene Dennis, & Arnold Johnson.

Telegrams were read which included congratulations by the Chinese Communists. Dennis condemned the U.S. policy in Quemoy and Matsu and asked for support to free two CP leaders presently in jail. Johnson spoke of gaining strength through workers and unions. Davis covered the phase of Negro rights and also criticized the US policy in China. He called the US policy makers "atom maniacs" and said if they persist capitalism will be wiped out. Davis said the President should be impeached for his Jim Crow and China policies.

They pleaded for contributions, starting with \$50, then \$20, \$10 etc. It appeared as if a large amount was collected. Several groups sent money forward.

A petition for justice for Morton Sobell was passed around. Among signers was

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Some people from the social science school and Ben Davis' headquarters were in the crowd which was a rather quiet one. There was a sizable group of rather young people present.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (100-2398)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C320)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
KINGSBRIDGE SECTION
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DATE: 10/9/58

Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished
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N.W. Section Committee CP held
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Date received: 9/23/58

Received by: SA JAMES P. HALLERON (written)

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1 - Mobile (100-) (REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING) (INF) (RM)
1 - [redacted] (INV) (7-0)
1 - NY 100-132945 (DORIS KOPPELMAN) (12-10)
1 - NY 100-25821 (CHARLES HENDLEY) (12-10)
1 - NY 100-69941 (NAN DICKMAN) (12-10)
1 - NY 100-102025 (AL NAIDICH) (7-0)
1 - NY 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-128815 (CP, NYD - NEGRO QUESTION) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-12481 (BERNARD ADES) (12-10)
1 - NY 100-128812 (CP, NYD - POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-128796 [redacted] (12-10)
1 - NY 100-26603-C40 (BRO COUNTY CP) (12-10)
1 - NY 100-115575 (PEOPLE'S RIGHTS PARTY) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-135320 (UISEC) (7-3)
1 - NY 100-129802 (COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM) (7-0)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-133090 (COMMITTEE FOR A SANE NUCLEAR POLICY) (7-1)
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Report

Communist Party U.S.A.
Activities

Sept. 8, 1959
New York..

A meeting of the Northwest Bronx Section Committee C.P. was held on September 3rd. 1958 at the apart. of [redacted]

[redacted] The following members were present at the meeting: [redacted]

[redacted] member of the Bronx County Comm. C.P. attended this meeting as the representative of the County Committee. [redacted] reported on the Ben Davis campaign in Harlem.

[redacted] stated that the Ben Davis campaign for signatures in Harlem is "a great success." He stated that up to date "we have allready 4,200 signatures for Ben Davis and this we have managed to do in spite of the shortage of canvassers."

He also told the meeting that among the canvassers for signatures to put Ben Davis on the balot were "quite a few non-party negroes. [redacted] underlined that the "Ben Davis campaign reflects the influence of the successful Powell campaign."

[redacted] told the meeting that Ben Davis attended a Baptist ministers convention in Harlem. "Davis was given only 2 minutes to speak but at the end of the 2 minutes his time was extended and he spoke for 15 minutes. Ben made a great impression on the convention and he will appear at a similar convention in Chicago. At the Harlem convention Ben met Luther King. (from Montgomery, Alabama) They spoke about the Wilson case and King told Ben that he will shortly engage in the campaign to save Wilson's life. King told Ben that he is ready to cooperate with him on the Wilson case and on the fight of school integration."

"But the most important part of the Ben Davis campaign in Harlem is the reestablishing of our party's contact with the masses in Harlem. The party in Harlem is again moving the Negro people into mass action and to us this is the most important part of the campaign. Many of those of our members

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who were against the party's decision to run Davis will now realize that they were wrong. Not only Harlem but the party as a whole in New York and over the country will benefit from the Ben Davis campaign."

[] asked the Northwest Bronx Section Committee to mobilize its members for the last few days of canvassing in Harlem and for attending a mass rally before the Hotel Teresa in Harlem on Sept. 6th, 1958 at which Ben Davis will be the main speaker.

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[] also brought to this meeting tickets for the 39th anniversary of the Communist Party, U.S.A. which will be held on Sept. 26th, 1958 at Carnegie Hall in New York. He asked to get as many "comrades" as possible to attend this affair.

Each one present at the meeting took tickets to sell at the club meetings. There was a discussion on [] report. [] agreed that the "Ben Davis campaign put new life into the party."

[] said that she thinks that the party should have gone with the Independent Socialists in this election campaign and Nan stated that she still didn't make up her mind on the question of running Ben Davis but "I surely disapprove the action of Bernie (Barnard Addis) to solicit signatures for the Independent Socialist ticket after the party has taken a definite stand on the question of our non-participation in the campaign of the Independent Socialist Ticket."

[] said that she disagrees with [] that Bernie had a right to do what he did because the party's constitution guarantees "the right to dissent."

[] claimed that "the right to dissent does not give a party member the right to sabotage decisions of the party and Bernie acted most unwisely when he tried to solicit signatures for the Independent Socialist Ticket at the Northwest Section membership meeting. Bernie is the chairman

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of the C.P. County Committee. Doesn't look kind of foolish for the C.P. chairman to ask for signatures for the I.S.T. after the party decided against such actions?"

[] agreed with [] and he stated that the question of Bernie's action is now before the county committee and that the county will take some action "to stop Bernie doing what he does." There was also a discussion on the general "inactivity" of the members of the party especially in the Bronx,

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[] said that the Bronx County Committee is now working on a number of mass activities for the Bronx members of the party. He mentioned the issue of peace, the work on the question of a sane nuclear policy, school intergration and the attempt to end rent control. He said that these and some others issues "can and should be brought up in the neighborhoods by our party organizations."

[] stated that issues are not enough. "The party membership is generally discouraged. We must find a way on how to answer the interest of our people." She said that she is also discouraged and she stated that she is now the secretary of the Bronx Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy and that she has decided to devote most of her time to this work." I intend to quit my job as chairman of the section. (Northwest Section C.P.) I feel I can do more and better work in the Sane Nuclear Policy Committee."

[] told the meeting that it is true that the party membership is discouraged but this is the result of the inactivity of the higher committees of the party. "Let's take our own county committee. What is the county committee doing to encourage the membership to do some party work? Nothing. For over 2 years the Committee here and in other parts of the State keep on discussing the so called ideological differences. There always were and there will always be ideological differences. What have these differences to do with work, with party activities. I am afraid that it is something else. It is not ideological differences, nor political laziness that empares the work and activities of the members. I think that our committees just are not capable of creating programs of

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activities which would capture the imagination and the interest of the members.

I think what we need is new blood, better leadership, people who are capable to think and to lead."

[] asked [] not to resign; to stay on and help to build up a better leadership.

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It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Northwest Bronx Section Committee C P on Sept 30th 1958 at []
[] apart. at []

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-136410)

DATE: 10/9/58

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NEW YORK DISTRICT OF THE
PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE TO
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Identity of Source: [REDACTED] who has furnished
reliable info in past (conceal)

Description of info: (1) Announcement of "Anchor
Club" meeting; (2) A meeting
of the Waterfront Section of
the Provisional Committee to
Reconstitute the CP, held
9/12/58.

Date Received: 9/12, 15/58

Received by: SA [REDACTED] (orally)

Original location: (1) [REDACTED] Rec. 9/12/58)
(2) [REDACTED] Rec. 9/15/58)

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting
the following information in order to protect the identity
of the informant.

Copies of informant's oral reports follow:

The informant furnished the following report which
was transcribed in longhand by SA [REDACTED] and
authenticated by the informant on 9/12/58:

- 1- [REDACTED] (Inv) (7-6)
- 1- NY 100-84066 (PETE GOODMAN) (7-6)
- 1- NY 100-128051 (Seamen's Defense Committee) (7-1)
- 1- NY 100-86971 [REDACTED] (7-6)
- 1- NY 100-136078 (Provisional Committee) (7-5)
- 1- NY 100-120091 [REDACTED] (12-14)
- 1- NY 100-68285 (BERNIE KASBOHM) (12-13)
- 1- NY 100-118333 (TED GOODHERTZ) (12-10)
- 1- NY 100-70281 (JERRY DALY) (12-14)

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1- NY 100-91833 (NICK ARRINDELL)(7-6)
1- NY 100-98262 (CHARLIE COLCORD)(12-12)
1- NY 100-105373 (JOSE ROMAN)(12-15)
1- NY 100-132430 (Industrial Division)(12-15)
1- NY 100-108208 (RON JACKSON)(7-6)
1- NY 100-129629 (BILL ALBERTSON)(7-6)
1- NY 100-50094 (ESTHER CANTOR)(12-15)
1- NY 100-128821 (CP,NYD Factionalism)(7-6)
1- NY 100-64696 (ROY RYDELL)(12-15)
1- NY 100-87211 (CP,USA Factionalism)(7-5)
1- NY 100-4931 (CP,USA)(7-5)
1- NY 100-86666 (LOU BECKER)(7-3)
1- NY 100-69738 (ROY EYJIAN)(12-14)
1- NY 100-64662 (JACK FINN)(12-14)
1- NY 100-136276 (Marxist-Leninist Vanguard)(7-5)
1- NY 100-26603 (CP,USA NY District)(7-6)
1- NY 100-128822 (CP,NYD Education)(7-6)
1- NY 100-34632 (CP Waterfront Section)(7-6)

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Waterfront Section

On 9/7/58 Pete Goodman furnished an announcement that there would be a full meeting of the "Anchor Club" on 9/12/58 at [redacted]. The announcement said the agenda would be one item, the Seamens Defense Committee and the fight against screening. It pointed out that now with a judge's decision about to come down and the long fight going into a new stage, it becomes necessary to find out ways to strengthen the SDC, figure out its perspectives and work out some plan of action.

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The informant furnished the following report which was transcribed in longhand by SA [redacted] and authenticated by the informant on 9/15/58:

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Waterfront Section

On 9/12/58 there was a meeting of the Waterfront Section of the Provisional Committee to Reconstitute the CP in apartment 12A, 167 2nd St , N.Y.C. beginning at 8:30/P. The following attended:

Mike Heathcote
Bernie Kasbohm
Ted Goodhertz
Jerry Daly
Pete Goodman
Nick Arrindell
Charlie Colcord

Jose Roman and one of his

[redacted] who attended a few minutes before he went to the apartment of Armando Roman 167 2nd St. NYC. where a committee of the Caucus was meeting.

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The meeting was informal and was chaired by Goodman. He said the agenda was a discussion of the SDC, but he also wanted to discuss his status with the Industrial Board of the CP.

Goodman said he received a letter requesting him to appear on 9/10/58 at 5:30/P where a committee of three would talk to him. He said he went there for the regular meeting with Don Jackson whom he had met on the street. As he took his seat Bill Albertson and Esther Cantor and another man stopped him. They asked him if he received their letter. When Goodman replied yes, Albertson said they wanted to talk about his position with the Caucus and his actions at the Caucus Conference. Goodman told them the apointment was too early in the day as he worked, and he would have to have more notice. Albertson told him to be there again on 9/17/58 at 5:30/P for the discussion. Goodman told them that the Waterfront Section had decided that no leader of the Section was to appear at such a hearing as actually the whole Section was on trial. Therefore, the Section would have to come too.

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Albertson said they would not become involved in such a discussion, and that Goodman was to come alone. Goodman replied that the whole Section would go.

After recounting this Goodman asked the Section what they wanted to do. It was decided that the Section would go, as it was hoped that this would keep Don Jackson in the Caucus and eventually win back Ray Rydell. Goodman thought they won't talk to the Section and hoped they would not, so they can appeal to the National Committee at its meeting on 10/8/53. He said they would take the Section to the NC meeting and take a defensive attitude if allowed to speak. If not allowed to speak they would sit outside as a protest.

Kasbohm reported on the SDC and said that since the suit was begun the attendance has fallen off. He said they should project their programs in addition to raising funds. They should also try to locate all the screened seamen and try to get them in the case. It was decided to run an ad in the "Amsterdam News" and a Spanish paper to get all screened seamen to come to SDC meetings.

Colcord thought the FBI was repressing screened seamen so they won't participate.

Arrindell argued against this view and said that instead of worrying about the FBI they should push their program on the water front.

Jose Roman said the FBI was always calling about where he worked, and was coming to see him. He said that when an FBI agent comes to see him, he has his children get the license number and description of his car.

Goodman summarized the SDC discussion. During the summary Lou Beckers activities were discussed, and it was decided to try to restrain him from using his own initiative and get him to follow the organizations policy more closely. They will also try to keep a tighter rein on the SDC and

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reorganize their outlook toward the SDC. They will try to get more non-Party people involved in the work. They will try to isolate Roy Eyjian, who was described as a disrupter and a cynical, sick old man. They will also watch for Jack Finn trying to get back into SDC as they feel the CP will try to have him take over the Waterfront Section through the SDC. They won't allow him to do this.

The first issue of the "Marxist-Leninist Vanguard" dated 9/58 was sold at the meeting by Arrindell.

Daly brought in mimeographed copies of the "39th Anniversary of the CP. Materials for Reporters and Discussion" and passed them out to those present.

announced that they should have another meeting of the Waterfront Section next week to re-organize the Section. No date for this meeting was set.

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The meeting adjourned at 11:45/P.

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During the evening of 9/12/58 SA [redacted] conducted a surveillance on the entrance to 167 2nd St., NYC. The following were observed:

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8:10 PM Individual believed to be JOSE ROMAN, accompanied by Male, 5'3", 120 lbs., arrived in car bearing 1958 NY license plates IT 1270 and entered building.

8:12 PM MIKE HEATHCOTE entered building

8:22 PM BERNIE KASBOHM entered building

8:36 PM CHARLIE COLCORD entered building.

The original surveillance log is maintained in NY 100-34632-Sub D.

On 9/15/58 [redacted] furnished one copy of the pamphlet issued by the Educational Dept. NY State CP and one copy of the September, 1958, issue of the "Marxist Leninist Vanguard." These have been disseminated by separate memos to the appropriate files.

The Bureau has been advised of the security measures being taken by JOSE ROMAN in a separate communication.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

DATE: 10/9/58

FROM : SA JAMES E. REILLY

SUBJECT: CP, USA HEADQUARTERS
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Identity of Informant

NY 2353-S*

Reliability

Who has furnished reliable
information in the past.

Date

9/24/58

On 9/24/58, NY 2353-S* advised (BETTY DUIMOVICH) contacted (Telephone Company) "Repair Service" and asked if they could send someone over today to Murray Hill 5-5750, 23 West 26th (Street), explaining that the trouble is that "we have a tie line downstairs and the tie line does not work properly."

In the event this information is used in a report, it should be suitably paraphrased in order not to compromise the informant.

1-New York (100-16241) (BETTY DUIMOVICH) (12-12)
1-New York (100-4931) (7-5)

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)(#7-5)

DATE: 10/8/58

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (#12-15)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
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Identity of Source [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past (conceal)

Description of Info 39th Anniversary Celebration of CP, USA, 9/26/58.

Date Received 9/30/58

Received By SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (orally)

Original Located [REDACTED]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

The following information was furnished by [REDACTED] on 9/30/58 and authenticated by [REDACTED] on 10/9/58.

A copy of informant's report follows:

- 1 - New York [REDACTED] (INV)(#12-15)
1 - New York (100-129629)(WILLIAM ALBERTSON)(#7-6)
1 - New York (100-16021)(ARNOLD JOHNSON)(#7-5)
1 - New York (100-8057)(EUGENE DENNIS)(#7-5)
1 - New York (100-9360)(WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)(#7-5)
1 - New York (100-79025)(MILDRED MC ADORY)(#12-15)
1 - New York (100-23825)(BEN DAVIS)(#7-5)
1 - New York (100-128815)(CP, NYD - NEGRO QUESTION)(#7-6)
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September 30, 1958.

On September 26, 1958, the celebration of the 39th Anniversary of the Communist Party of the United States was held at Carnegie Hall, New York City from about 8:30 PM to 10:45 PM.

The orchestra floor was filled to capacity and the first balcony was about three quarters full.

Bill Albertson was the Chairman and the speakers included Arnold Johnson, Eugene Dennis, a tape recording by William Z. Foster, Millie Mc Adory and Ben Davis. Davis received the greatest applause from the audience.

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1 - New York (100-128812) (CP, NYD - POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (#7-6)
1 - New York (100-128804) (CP, NYD - YOUTH MATTERS) (#7-6)
1 - New York (100-26603) (CP, NYD) (#7-6)
1 - New York (100-26603-C42) (CP, NY COUNTY) (#12-15)
1 - New York (100-26603-C1214) (HARLEM REGION CP) (#12-15)
1 - New York (100-) (ANGELO HERNDON)
1 - New York (100-61072) (ABE SCHWARTZ) (#12-10)
1 - New York (100-60640) (HAROLD COLLINS) (#12-12)
1 - New York (100-85231) (GLORIA MANUEL) (#12-0)
1 - New York (100-84147) (LILLIAN MARTINEZ) (#12-15)
1 - New York (100-87995) (JOE EDELMAN) (#7-5)
1 - New York (100-82863) (ARTHUR EDELMAN) (12-15)
1 - New York (100-136399) (CARL EDELMAN) (12-15)
1 - New York (100-111162) (ANNA TOBMAN) (#12-12)
1 - New York (100-64435) (DOROTHY CACCHIONE) (#12-12)
1 - New York (100-85936) (PEARL LAWS) (#12-12)
1 - New York (100-99369) (ALLAN LAWS) (#12-12)
1 - New York (100-81794) (HALOIS MOOREHEAD) (12-12)
1 - New York (100-126206) (OSCAR ROBINSON) (#12-12)
1 - New York (100-127818) (MAMIE MOYA) (#12-15)
1 - New York (100-91911) (JESSE GARY) (#12-15)
1 - New York (100-54555) (EVELYN WIENER) (#12-14)
1 - New York (100-9369) (THEODORE BASSETT) (#12-15)

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Arnold Johnson: Traced the history of the Party from 1919 to the present, stressing the Jewish and Negro questions and the impact of the Communist Party in the labor movement. He commented on the disgraceful Little Rock affair and also on the Ben Davis campaign. He emphasized the importance of making the Party stronger.

Eugene Dennis: Using bigger words he more or less repeated the comments made by Johnson and commented on the growth of the Party since its inception.

William Z. Foster: Recalled the early struggles concerned with the beginning of the Party. He encouraged everyone to help Ben Davis in his present political campaign.

Millie Mc Adory: The bourgeoisie is afraid of the labor movement growth. Commented on the splendid participation of youth in the Ben Davis campaign. She accused Tammany Hall and the two party system as the causes behind the outruling of the Davis petitions because of illegible signatures and so forth. This will not stop the campaign, they will continue to work for Davis and will have a write-in vote on the ballot. She urged everyone in the Party to participate in the campaign.

Ben Davis: Commented briefly on the Negro question mentioning specifically the Scottsboro boys and Angelo Herndon. He recalled he had entered the Communist Party because of the treatment he had received in the South after he had unsuccessfully defended Herndon, saying they had run him out of town and Herndon had been imprisoned in a Georgia chain gang.

Davis said that the President and the Vice-President of the United States should be impeached if the Little Rock integration situation is not remedied and also if this country goes to war because of our policy concerning Formosa.

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A collection was taken and many people contributed \$50 and \$100 bills. One youth group, probably from Harlem, contributed \$48.00.

Several older and charter members of the Communist Party were introduced but did not catch the names.

The following were observed in attendance:

Abe Schwartz
Harold Collins
Gloria Manuel
Lillian Martinez
Joe Edelman
Arthur Edelman
Carl Edelman - step-son of Millie Mc Adory, who,
according to Mc Adory, rebelled at
having to attend.
Anna Tobman - gave her address to me as 30
Avenue V, Brooklyn, CO 6-8262
Dot Cacchione
Pearl Laws
Allen Laws
Halöis Moorhead and husband
Mamie Moya
Jesse Gray
Evelyn Wiener
Ted Bassett

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3)

DATE: 10/1/58

FROM : SAC, WFO (61-49)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
IS-C

Re WFO Airtel 9/26/58 which set out information obtained from WF 1062-S* on 9/25/58 concerning a visit of JAMES EDWARD JACKSON to the home of MARCUS and ELIZABETH GOLDMAN on that date. A summary of the information furnished by the informant is set out below with the exception of information regarding the HUNTER PITTS O'DELL case which information was furnished BU and interested offices by separate letter under his caption.

The following individuals were present in the GOLDMAN residence, 825 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. on 9/25/58: JAMES EDWARD JACKSON, GEORGE B. MURPHY, MARCUS and ELIZABETH GOLDMAN.

JACKSON identified himself to MARCUS GOLDMAN as the Southern Secretary of the CP in charge of Southern work. GOLDMAN pin-pointed the organization by asking JACKSON if he was talking about the CP and not a subordinate organization. JACKSON said he was referring to the CP.

- 2 - Bureau
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 - 1-JAMES EDWARD JACKSON
 - 1-LOUIS BURNHAM
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 - 1-100-32783 MARCUS GOLDMAN
 - 1-100-23447 ELIZABETH GOLDMAN
 - 1-100-698 GEORGE B. MURPHY

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On 5/31/58 WF 1062-S* advised that MARCUS and ELIZABETH GOLDMAN consider themselves communists but do not use the word communist even in discussions among themselves or their associates preferring to use the words "left, progressive, we, or us" in place of the word communist.

On 9/24/58 WF 1062-S* advised that in a recent discussion ELIZABETH GOLDMAN said that in 20 years the Soviet Union would sweep the world "and we'll take over completely".

On 1/22/53 [redacted] advised GEORGE B. MURPHY was a current member of the CP. On 12/28/52 [redacted] advised that MURPHY was a current CP member as of that date. [redacted] advised on 10/3/55 he believed MURPHY to be a CP member based on the fact he attended. what were in his opinion, [redacted]

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The information concerning the discussion between JACKSON, MURPHY and the GOLDMANS on 9/25/58 as furnished by WF 1062-S* is as follows:

There was an interrupted discussion on "bumping off" of Negroes and its relation to intelligence agencies. JACKSON felt that CIA did it. He said CIA men do side jobs, "a bunch of real adventurers, professional bastards." He said that for several thousand dollars they will take on a job. He was sure they had killed many Negroes before.

MARCUS GOLDMAN differed on only one point. He wanted to know why JACKSON kept referring to CIA. He felt the FBI was capable of doing all these things like kidnapping, like the Till -- and other cases.

Later JACKSON mentioned about working on a book project about the Negro in the South. ELIZABETH GOLDMAN said we used to have platforms for the position of the Negro. She wanted to know what was happening in the South.

JACKSON said the general definition of terms is the rights of initiative, self leadership and self organization, this makes it on its own alliance and terms. JACKSON stated as follows:

In that general sense you can speak of people who have the right for self determination. But in terms of Marx, it carries with it (not understood) of the right of the nation to establish integrity and political parties. In any event to organize. You have to measure every sound general opposition and the country's

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circumstances. And the country's situation is that the strategic outlook for the solution of the Negro situation is in terms of Negro self expression, joined in alliance with labor. So this alliance is the outlook for the Negro situation on one hand as well as the necessary requisite for the advancement of socialism among the workers. The basic approach to the problem is not in terms of fortifying the separation of the Negro in installations, but, when the Negroes come together, and they do come together, unity is developed. It demands that strength of action and built up alliance in order to use this force to break down the barriers of separation in American life.

JACKSON goes on: The negro is especially oppressed in the American nation. Negro culture has grown up side by side and has interchanged with American culture to the extent that the main Negro cultural expressions are fully appreciated and understood by Americans. And in the whole American culture is appreciated and understood by the Negro. No Negro has need for culture like the Asian culture, etc., which does not adhere to American culture. That would fortify separateness and dissolution of people. American culture has taken some of the Negro culture such as jazz, etc.

JACKSON continued that Negroes are given the problems of Marxism through literature means. The theme is comparing the struggle for Marxism in the terms of the struggle of the Civil War. So after we have established our own theory, the fact that the Negroes aren't caucasian, there is a new feeling of being oppressed. As a consequence the Negro racial fight is blessed with that of the oppressed, and in more of a degree than in Africa. This also affects the psychology of the oppressed and minorities.

MARCUS GOLDMAN wanted to know the effect of the integration struggle on the average Negro with no political awareness. GOLDMAN felt this would be the fight.

JACKSON did not agree. He just got a detailed report from LOUIS BURNHAM who spent the last week in Little Rock.

GOLDMAN asked if that was the report in the "National Guardian".

JACKSON said yes and added "he was doing something for us. We have some people there."

JACKSON said that BURNHAM spent a lot of time speaking to people on lunch hours, on the job at the factories there, talking to the Negro youth there and observing people on the street,

sitting in barbershops he got reaction. JACKSON said that BURNHAM reported that there is an unprecedented, an almost swagger, of new confidence on the part of the Negroes. And part of that is compounded by naive effect that the government is on their side, the law is on their side, and the reactionaries, the Southerners, have got to give in sooner or later and the time will be sooner.

JACKSON stated that: They are very confident. This is seen more startling in Montgomery and Birmingham under the heel of the hardest kind of reaction. It's due to a couple of things, these terrible laws of the south, the JIM CROW laws have been maintained through fear and terror. In recent years the KU KLUX KLAN as a terror society has ceased to be effective. The Negro was filled with superstition but has passed beyond that stage now, no longer frightened by cross burnings and sheets. Another thing was the police power of bus operators, street car operators, and train conductors. They were deputized as peace officers and had the power of life and death over Negroes. The Montgomery bus strike broke the spell. Now with men like (MARTIN LUTHER) KING a few days ago in Birmingham refusing to move when a policeman said move sets a dramatic example to Negro people to stand up and not back away at the order of a cop. That threatens the last remaining instrument of fear and terror that the ruling core of the South has and if the police cease to hold any terror for the Negro they can't rule that way any longer.

In answer to the question of what protection do Negroes have if they resist the police JACKSON said:

It amounts to very little. There appears to be a new wave of terror sweeping the South in the form of wholesale frame ups. But the most exciting thing is the move of some of the white people in Little Rock. He mentioned the action of 61 lawyers in signing a petition and high school students who called for opening of the high schools on integrated basis if necessary. JACKSON said "That was stimulated and initiated under our influence". He added:

Over the summer there was formed three different groups of liberals who directed, some were Marxists, and were influenced by some of our people. They were in regular contact with DAISY BATES. She is quite a remarkable person who is very friendly to us. When asked if DAISY BATES was a progressive person JACKSON said yes.

JACKSON said this action has broken this effective solid front and it is being duplicated in the Norfolk area.

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JACKSON then said he wanted to stop and see GEORGE MYERS (CP organizer) in Baltimore. Said he saw him over the week end at the meeting of the National Executive Committee where he (JACKSON) gave the report.

When ELIZABETH GOLDMAN asked what JACKSON's position was he said he was one of the secretaries of the National Committee (CP) in charge of southern work, Negro work. He gets \$80 per week.

JACKSON said he had a good trip, that it was worth while financially. He didn't come up with what was needed but people talked to were helpful. He mentioned going to Howard University and talking to people who promised to give something. His mother-in-law saw some people who weren't in a position to help but would do something later.

JACKSON mentioned that DANNY WEITZMAN, now in New York put up \$1,000 on the bail fund and that he saw him in connection with the funds needed to pay the lawyers on his case (JACKSON's case). They had to raise close to \$13,000.

ELIZABETH GOLDMAN suggested that JACKSON see HARRY GOLDEN in South Carolina. She said he has more liberal tendencies than he writes about. She mentioned meeting him once. Suggested he might be a guy to see if JACKSON didn't have anyone in South Carolina. She feels he can be approached.

JACKSON suggested that the people in Washington have LOUIS BURNHAM down to talk on his Little Rock experiences. Suggested they write him in care of the "National Guardian". JACKSON mentioned an approach by BURNHAM, through the Party, to Howard University in connection with getting a good turn out.

ELIZABETH GOLDMAN said yes if they could get in touch with someone at Howard but "we do not have any contacts".

When JACKSON suggested they meet in a home ELIZABETH said they have no home.

MARCUS GOLDMAN felt the CP was more active among the Negroes than anything else.

ELIZABETH GOLDMAN felt it wasn't the Party primarily as there is a ferment there due to the oppression of the Negro over the years and it is this ferment that keeps things active. ELIZABETH GOLDMAN said there is a lack of coherent understanding in Washington among people who went pretty far along with the Party in the past.

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JACKSON mentioned his case, that he had been found not guilty and agreed that the government would have to drop all the membership clause (of Smith Act) cases. JACKSON said they were expensive fights, eleven years of litigation of all kinds. He feels that the hysteria is over but that it depends on the out come of events in Formosa. He said there is no sanity in the policy there and that government by accident could propel us into war. He feels they will have to retreat off Quemoy and retire to Formosa. If they back off Quemoy there will be a passing of the danger. If they tangle in a small war, so to speak, they will whip up the hysteria again.

It is believed the HARRY GOLDEN referred to by ELIZABETH GOLDMAN is HARRY GOLDEN, editor of the "Carolina Israelite" in Charlotte, North Carolina although she referred to him as being in South Carolina.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

10/23/58

SA JOSEPH V. WATERS (7-5)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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Re NY letter to Bureau, 10/20/58.

Copies of report have been placed in the files listed below to note that no information was developed concerning such activity of the CP, USA suitable for inclusion in the report of SA JOSEPH V. WATERS, entitled as above, dated 10/20/58, at NY, which covers the quarterly period: 10/1/58 to 12/31/58.

- 1- New York (100-96985) (CPUSA-UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS) (7-5)
- 1- New York (100-80643) (CPUSA-WOMEN MATTERS) (7-5)
- 1- New York (100-88297) (CPUSA-CULTURAL ACTIVITIES) (7-5)
- 1- New York (100-79498) (CPUSA-VETERANS MATTERS) (7-5)
- ① New York (100-4931)

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[Signature]

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New York 21, New York
October 21, 1958

Colonel George W. England, Jr.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Headquarters, First Army
Governors Island 4, New York

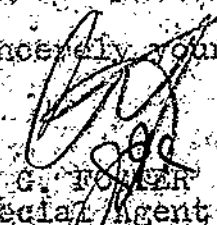
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All informants mentioned in this report have
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Sincerely yours,


H. C. FOSTER
Special Agent in Charge

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District Commander
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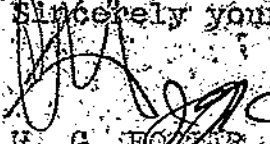
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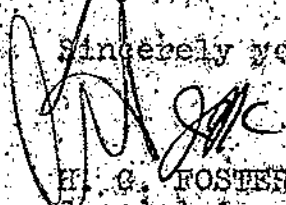
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-133594)(7-1) DATE: 10/20/58
FROM : SA [REDACTED] (7-6)
SUBJECT: FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE
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Identity of Source: [REDACTED] who has furnished
reliable info in past (conceal)

Description of Info: 9/28/58 - FSS - Meet the Teacher,
Adelphi Hall, 874 Broadway, NYC

Date received: 10/3/58

Received by: SA [REDACTED] (written)

Original located: [REDACTED]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting
the following information to protect identity of informant.

A copy of informant's written report follows:

1 - [REDACTED] (INV) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-80532 (HERBERT APTHEKER) (12-12)
1 - NY 100-23825 (BENJAMIN DAVIS, JR.) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-130397 (ANTON NOVAK) (12-14)
1 - NY 100- [REDACTED] (SEYMOUR LNU, at opening FSS 9/28/58, per
[REDACTED] 10/3/58) (7-2)
1 - NY 100- [REDACTED] (RITA LNU, SEYMOUR's wife, at opening FSS
9/28/58, per [REDACTED] 10/3/58) (7-2)
1 - NY 100-134856 [REDACTED] (7-6)
1 - NY 100-100442 (HILDA BROWN) (12-12)
1 - NY 100- [REDACTED] (HYMAN LNU, M-W-65-white hair-5'8"-130 lbs.,
at opening FSS, 9/28/58, per [REDACTED]
10/3/58) (7-2)
1 - NY 100- [REDACTED] F-W-35-5'6"-155. French accent,
at FSS opening 9/28/58, per [REDACTED]
10/3/58) (7-2)
1 - NY 100-7629 (NAACP) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-60640 (HAROLD COLLINS) (12-12)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-26603 (CP, USA - NYD) (7-6)
1 - NY 100-133594 (7-1)
1 - NY 100-4013 (SWP) (7-3)
1 - NY 100-9224 (ANNETTE T. RUBENSTEIN) (12-1)

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Sept. 29 - 1958

Place - Adelphi Hall
Time - 8:30 - 10:45 P.M.
Occasion - Opening of the Sunday forums.
Date - Sept. 28 - 1958.
Speakers - H. Aptheker & Ben Davis
Attendance - 60 people

1. Anton Novak -
2. [REDACTED]
3. [REDACTED]
4. Hilda
5. Mr. Hymen LNU - M-W-65 yrs. old; White hair -
5'8"-130 lbs. Mr. Hymen was in charge of
collecting the \$1.00 admission fee.
6. [REDACTED] L.N.U. - F-W-5'6"-155 lbs.-35 yrs.-
brown hr.-speaks with a French accent. Also
knows French fluently. [REDACTED] also attended
the film series last spring (1958) which was
given by H. Collins.

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Before the lecture started, Anton Novak was selling chances to win a new car which will be raffled off Fri. Nov. 14- '58 at the Rockland Palace Ballroom. The N.Y. branch of the NAACP will also hold its annual dance. [REDACTED] bought one of these chances. Anton recognized [REDACTED] from a previous class so they both engaged in conversation while waiting for the lecture to begin. Overheard, was Anton telling [REDACTED] that he (Anton) was an usher at the C.P.U.S.A. celebration at Carnegie Hall (9/26/58). Anton stated the attendance was very poor, the balconies were empty, only the main floor was full. During the course of the evening a collection was made. Anton stated that the collection netted \$1500.00. As Anton & [REDACTED] were still talking, Ben Davis walked into the room. Anton noticed him, so he introduced [REDACTED] to B. Davis.

The lecture got underway at 8:40, with H. Collins acting as chairman. He first introduced H. Aptheker, director

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of the social science school at 80 E. 11 St. NYC. Mr. Aptheker said a few words about the school & the need for more students. He then touched lightly on world politics.

Ben Davis was the next person to be introduced. He also mentioned the need for higher attendance at the new school. He also relayed greetings to us from the N.Y.S.C.P. Mr. Davis next started to denounce the socialist parties not in line with the C.P. He mentioned the N. Thoms group, A. Rubinstein group, the S.W.P. Mr. Davis stated that these groups are heard from only during election time, when they stick their heads out from beneath the ground. Mr. Davis stated that these groups don't even have a party line to use as a guide. After denouncing these groups for more than 40 min., he completed his say. Mr. Collins then called it a night.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3)

DATE: 10/20/58

See FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY
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Enclosed herewith are seven copies of the report of SA JOSEPH V. WATERS, dated 10/20/58, at NY. Copies of this report have been designated for all offices in accordance with specific Bureau instructions. Also enclosed are seven copies for the Bureau, and one copy for each office, of a memorandum suitable for dissemination, setting forth the reliability of these informants.

REFERENCE

Report of SA JOSEPH V. WATERS,
dated 7/22/58, NY.

ADMINISTRATIVE

No information was developed during the period of this report, July 1, 1958 to September 30, 1958, concerning the following activities of the CP, USA:

Underground Operations
Women's Matters
Cultural Activities
Veteran's Matters

2 - Bureau (100-3) (Encls. 14) (RM)
1 - All Offices (Encls. 2) (RM)
4 - New York (100-4931)

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ADMINISTRATIVE CONT'D

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will follow and report pertinent activities of the CP, USA for the quarterly period October 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958.

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Press release, dated
9/9/58, by JAMES E. JACKSON.

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Statement of National
Education Dept. on 39th
Anniversary of CP, USA.

Statement prepared by
ARNOLD JOHNSON regarding
passport legislation.

Letter from CP of Czechoslovakia
to CP, USA April 1958. Letter
from THOMPSON to all fraternal
parties, 8/22/58.

Letter 8/22/58, to members of NEC.

T-2

CG 5824-S* Ultra-Left conference, 8/16,17/58.

Meeting at Chicago CP office,
9/2/58.

Resident NEC meeting, 8/19/58.

Letter from ARNOLD JOHNSON,
dated 7/31/58, addressed:
"To All Districts".

Document entitled: "New
Offensive Against People's
Rights".

NEC meeting 9/19 to 21/58.

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CG 5824-S* Establishment of a coordinating committee during meeting of CP railroad conference.

Leaflet entitled: "A People's Program for Jobs and Security".

Members NEC requested to review "New Features of the Negro Question in the US".

Travel plans of JEROME, NOVICK, TRACHTENBERG, JACKSON, FLYNN, ABT and GEORGE MORRIS.

Letter from CP of Mexico to CP, USA, dated 8/25/58.

3000 subscriptions to "The Worker" sent to Russia each week according to Wm. PATTERSON.

"World Marxist Review" to be distributed through Imported Publications and Products, Inc.

Documentation: HYMAN LUMER, ARMANDO ROMAN, WILLIAM WEINSTONE, ROBERT THOMPSON

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Letters of JAMES ALLEN, dated 7/7/58, and 7/10/58, and 7/22/58, and 7/31/58.

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Document entitled:
"New Features of Negro
Question in the United
States".

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ARNOLD JOHNSON letter to all
districts, 7/31/58.

Documentation: JOAN PAUL,
RUTH SHULMAN, WILLIAM STANLEY.

Letter of ALEXANDER BITTELMAN,
dated 7/13/58. List of Program
Questions.

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NY 694-S*

Ultra-Left conference, NYC,
8/16,17/58.

Proposed budget of Southern
Region, CP, USA, for 10/1/58
to 10/1/59.

Report of JACK STACHEL to CP,
NEC meeting 9/19-21/58, re:
"The Worker".

CP, USA, urged by Canadian CP
to increase USA distribution
of "World Marxist Review".

CP plans to send V.J. JEROME
to Canada for Jewish discussion.

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ROBERT THOMPSON's comments,
8/11/58, re Middle East.

Documentation: LEMENT
BACON HARRIS, WILLIAM
WEINSTONE

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Meeting of sub-committee for
the preparation of the Farm
Section of the CP, USA Pro-
gram, 9/17/58.

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Meeting of Program Committee,
7/29/58.

Documentation: CHARLES "BOB"
COE, JOSEPH NORTH, ROSE COE,
LEMENT BACON HARRIS, PAT TOOHEY.

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Documentation: EARL DURHAM

T-7

NY 2010-S*

Statement of HY LUMER noting
meeting of Education Committee
on 9/9/58.

EUGENE DENNIS statement, 7/17/58,
re importance of Middle East.

Location of CP, USA, at 23 W.26th
St., NYC.

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T-8 NY 2359-S*	Meeting of Education Committee on 9/9/58. Meeting of NEC on 8/19/58. Meeting of NEC, 9/9/58, re Jewish Question. Meeting of NEC, 9/19 to 21/58.			
T-9 NY 2002-S*	Occupancy of 23 W.26th St., NYC, by CP, USA, NY State CP and "The Worker". Memo of Education Committee on discussion of CP policy in struggle for Negro rights. Data re CP, USA, National Office Wage and Welfare Payments. Letter from EUGENE DENNIS and ROBERT THOMPSON to CP of Uruguay, 8/4/58. Data re proposed budget for Southern and Negro Affairs Dept. of CP, USA. Letter from CP of Colombia to CP, USA, 9/8/58. Throwaway: "An Appeal to Youth".			

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Letter from ELIZABETH GURLEY
FLYNN, on behalf of NC to all
CP Districts, 8/15/58.

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Letter from ARNOLD JOHNSON,
dated 9/17/58, addressed to
"All Districts and to All
National Committee Members".

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[REDACTED]

Information re meeting attended
by ROBERT THOMPSON in Chicago,
9/3/58, to discuss parole for
HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN.

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NY 1623-S*

CP, USA, National Office
financial status as of 8/31/58.

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[REDACTED]

Documentation: HARRY HAYWOOD

T-14

[REDACTED]

Documentation: TED ALLEN

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PH 83-S*

Documentation: JOSEPH DOUGHER

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[REDACTED]

Documentation: WILLIAM ALBERTSON,
SIMON W. GERSON

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[REDACTED]

Documentation: Provisional
Committee to Reconstitute the
CP, USA.

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Meeting of Waterfront
Section of Provisional
Committee to Reconstitute
the CP, USA, 9/15/58.

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CP Regional Steel Commission
meeting in late September 1958.

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T-19

CP railroad conference in
Chicago, 9/6/58.

ROBERT THOMPSON met with ILL.,
CP, on 9/3/58, re CP policy
in industrial matters.

Illinois and Michigan offices
of "The Worker" joined in publishing
3000 copies of a special "Newsletter".

Documentation: ROSE TOPERCER

Security measures for CP railroad
conference to be held Chicago, Ill.,
7/19/58.

CP railroad conference to be held
Chicago, Ill., 7/19/58, was "called
off".

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NY 2362-S* Meeting of CP, 9/30/58.

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NAACP National Convention,
Cleveland, Ohio, 7/8-13/58.

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Proceedings at CP meeting,
"On the Present Situation in
France", held 7/2/58, NYC.

Documentation: PAUL NOVICK

T-23
CG 5824-S*

Remarks of ROBERT THOMPSON
on 9/21/58, at NEC meeting.

National Convention of CP
in 1959.

Statement of ROBERT THOMPSON
re: NC meeting after November elections

Wm. PATTERSON indicated 3000
subscriptions from Russia have
helped "The Worker".

Letter from JAMES E. JACKSON
to all CP Districts urged promotion of
PAUL ROBESON's book.

Letter from CP of Mexico to
CP, USA, dated 7/5/58.

JAMES JACKSON considered as
CP, USA representative to
congress of Mexican CP.

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HY LUMER's letter to
all districts, 9/4/58.

ROBERT THOMPSON's state-
ment, 8/19/58, re security
organization.

ROBERT THOMPSON's statement,
9/2/58, re Youth Matters.

Letter from HY LUMER on Youth
Matters sent out on 8/29/58.

Documentation: GEORGE MORRIS,
ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, JACK
STACHEL, SAM KUSHNER, ALEXANDER
TRACHTENBERG, PETTIS PERRY,
JAMES ALLEN, ANTHONY KRCHMAREK

T-24

NY 2179-S* BEN DAVIS' comments re CP, USA
and Communist International.

BEN DAVIS' comments on colonial
question, 7/1/58.

CP meetings on 7/2/58 and 8/5/58.

NEC meeting on 7/8/58.

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EUGENE DENNIS' letter to all dis-
tricts dated 7/16/58.

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T-26 [redacted]	Eastern Seaboard Regional Youth conference, CP, USA, 9/27/58.			b7D
T-27 [redacted]	CP railroad meeting, Chicago, Ill., 9/6/58.			
T-28 [redacted]	Eastern Seaboard Regional Youth conference, 9/27/58.			
m oc [redacted] [redacted]	Statement of JIM WEST on 7/7/58, re Youth Work.			
T-30 [redacted]	Documentation: AL LANNON. Statement of AL LANNON on 7/26/58, re Marxist-Leninist Youth Organization.			
T-31 [redacted]	HY LUMER delegated by NEC of CP to work with youth groups. HY LUMER leaving NY, 9/22/58, on two month tour to organize Marxist-Leninist youth groups. U.S. Festival Committee met, NYC on 10/4/58.			

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CG 6031-S* Statement forwarded by SAM KUSHNER
to NY re Lebanon situation, 7/18/58.

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CG 5824-S* NEC meeting, 9/19 to 21/58.

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NY 1697-S* Documentation: ERIC BERT

Remarks of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER re
drafting of CP program.

Statement by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER
that he is writing : "Ravages of
Revisionism on Party Policy".

T-35
[redacted] Financial information re Publishers
New Press, Inc., as of 6/30/58.

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T-36
[redacted] ROBERT THOMPSON indicates possible
establishment of a youth page in
"The Worker", and a monthly youth
bulletin.

Documentation: EARL DURHAM

T-37
[redacted] BENJAMIN J. DAVIS considers PAUL ROBESON's
book extremely valuable to CP.

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[redacted] Meeting of Educational Committee,
PIA, 7/13/58.

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Documentation: People's
Improvement Association.

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CG [REDACTED]

Documentation: JIM WEST

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Documentation: JACK SHULMAN

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Documentation: JOSEPH NORTH

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LOUIS

BUDENZ

(By request)

Documentation: PAUL ROBESON

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Documentation: MARTIN CHANCEY

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further protect the identity of the source.

Careful consideration has been given to the use
of T symbols, and such have been used only where necessary to
protect the identity of the source.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. NY 100-4931

October 20, 1958
New York, New York

Re: Communist Party,
United States of America
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

All informants mentioned in the report of
Special Agent Joseph V. Waters, dated at New York, October 20,
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REPORTING OFFICE NEW YORK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 10/20/58	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/1 - 10/16/58
TITLE OF CASE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA		REPORT MADE BY JOSEPH V. WATERS vmk	TYPED BY
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C	

SYNOPSIS:

QUARTERLY PERIOD - 7/1 - 9/30/58

ORGANIZATION National Office, CP, USA, located 23 West 26th Street, NYC, in building shared with New York CP. and "The Worker". EUGENE DENNIS, at leadership meeting, 7/2/58, declared National Committee Meeting, 6/28 and 29/58, had shown majority of Committee has firm position on line of 16th National Convention as interpreted by NC at its February, 1958 meeting. DENNIS, at meeting of full National Executive Committee, 9/19-21/58, described US action in China as reckless and hopeless, and listed CP objectives as: admission of China to UN, trade with it, and use of labor movement to show value of such trade to business and labor, and committee on American-Chinese Friendship. JAMES E. JACKSON, at same

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meeting, reported that slogan of right of self-determination in "black belt" not needed now nor for sometime. ROBERT THOMPSON, on 9/2/58, stated general belief is next CP convention should be held May or June, 1959.

MEMBERSHIP National Education. Department, in memorandum: "On the 39th Anniversary of the CP USA" saw occasion as opportunity for districts as starting point in three month campaign, with objective, among others, of increasing tempo of registration and establishing clubs in all areas.

FUNDS Income of CP USA, 1/1-8/31/58, \$39,647.64, with expenditures \$87,451.78. Assets, as of 8/31/58, \$9,098.36, and liabilities \$9,302.36. Proposed budget for Southern and Negro Affairs, 10/1/58, to 10/1/59, \$20,300.00, in expenses, and \$21,000.00 in income.

SECURITY MEASURES ROBERT THOMPSON, on 8/19/58, stated CP USA has no security organization, and he was interested in suggestions for such organization.

FACTIONALISM ROBERT THOMPSON, at National Executive Committee (NEC) meeting, 9/21/58, said there has emerged growing majority leadership around national policy, and same

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SYNOPSIS CONT'D

is true of some districts - that question of whether there will be a CP has been decisively resolved, charge that CP is revisionist is not real, and Ultra-Left grouping has reached "a dead end street".

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS EUGENE

DENNIS, on 7/16/58, wrote all districts urging all possible steps to develop mass protests against American action in Lebanon. "The Worker", 9/14/58, reported CP telegram to President, urging withdrawal of US Navy from China waters, and called for negotiations looking toward diplomatic relations with Red China, and its admission to UN. "The Worker", 9/28/58, reported receipt of letter from USSR, on 39th Anniversary of CP USA, which asserted CP was true to ideas of Marxism - Leninism. China CP, in similar greetings, said CP USA had cleared out revisionist elements, and had safeguarded Marxism - Leninism.

UNITED NATIONS "The Worker", 7/27/58, reported BEN DAVIS led picket line before US Mission to UN, protesting US action in middle - East. NEC meeting 8/19/58, heard WILLIAM L. PATTERSON propose CP prepare petition to UN, calling attention to plight of Negro in South.

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COLONIAL MATTERS BEN DAVIS, on 7/1/58, expressed feeling CP has not had a good idea of its vanguard role in colonial liberation movement, that colonial movement started in Africa, but will move to this continent, and will have application to CP USA.

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES ARNOLD JOHNSON, at NEC meeting, 9/19-21/58, analyzed results of US elections, and described United Socialist ticket as attempt to substitute for CP, and said it must be smashed. He urged slogans for 1960 elections be developed around economics and peace. EUGENE DENNIS urged slogan "Oust the Dixiecrats", and BEN DAVIS said Communists must think ahead so that labor can free self of two party machines.

LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES ARNOLD JOHNSON appeared before Senate Foreign Relations Committee, 7/17/58, as representative of CP USA to oppose pending bill to regulate issuance of passports, claiming bill aimed against all who advocate peace and disagree with the Secretary of State.

DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, in 8/15/58 letter to NC members, and all districts, urged work to speed release of HENRY WINSTON, and GIL GREEN, by parole, and amnesty.

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ARNOLD JOHNSON in similarly addressed letter, 9/17/58, proposed district projects of visiting selected people to get them to write to U.S. Parole Board on behalf of WINSTON and GREEN.

STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY Railroad Conference held Chicago, Illinois, 9/6/58, mid-Western and Eastern states being represented. Industry program proposed to include advocating nationalization of railroads, 30 hour week, united negotiations for all employees, and jobs for Negroes, to be implemented through state committees and National Committee. CARL WINTER, at NEC meeting, 9/19-21/58, reported on auto industry, and proposals were accepted to explain inadequate gains as result of class collaboration of UAW leadership and its failure to mobilize rank and file, to recognize failure of CP to coordinate its work in UAW and auto shops, to take up proposals on methods of CP work inside trade unions, and for a magazine expressing views of trade union rank and file.

NEGRO QUESTION Press release by NEC and JAMES JACKSON contained call to action in connection with school desegregation, "all appropriate means" being urged to secure rights of Negroes. Memorandum of JAMES JACKSON

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"New Features of the Negro Question in the United States", distributed at NEC meeting, 9/19-21/58, stated:

"The Negroes in the US are not constituted as a separate nation", but rather "have the characteristics of a racially distinctive people, or nationality, who are a historically determined component part of the American nation -----". JACKSON also pointed out that CP should organize the unorganized Southern workers of factory and farm, and strengthen activity of left forces in trade unions.

YOUTH MATTERS EARL DURHAM, in September, 1958 "Party Affairs" wrote "On the Problems of Youth", stating long range outlook must include establishment of Marxist - Leninist youth organization.

While foundation now is premature, steps toward it should be taken in each district. ROBERT THOMPSON, on 9/2/58, stated CP wants Marxist - Leninist youth groups started, but will not set pattern for it. THOMPSON, at Eastern Seaboard Regional Youth Conference, on 9/27/58, stressed need for national organization of youth clubs in CP. Another such conference to be held in NYC, 11/24/58, following Western and Midwestern conferences.

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FARMERS MATTERS "A People's Program for Jobs and Security", issued by National Committee, urges enactment of legislation to ease lot of farm laborers, especially migrants, to provide benefits available to other workers. Sub-Committee for preparation of farm section of CP program met 9/17/58, agreeing on preparation of three articles on position of American farmer.

NATIONAL GROUPS VICTOR J. JEROME, at NEC meetin, 9/9/58, reported on "Jewish Question", making recommendations that CP work be strengthened in unions to which "Jewish" workers belong, that CP work for cooperation between Israel and Arab states. DENNIS suggested "Jewish" question in USSR be handled by CP with great care.

RELIGION Meeting of Educational Committee, People's Improvement Association, on 7/13/58, decided to invite one of Islamic leaders who are making inroads among Harlem's population. Consensus was that while religion can be unifying force, this was not true in case of Negro, inasmuch as Islamic faith preaches male supremacy, brotherhood of believers, and hatred of non-believers.

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PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS "The Worker", as of 6/30/58, had assets of \$27,194.10, and liabilities of \$115,427.68. Operating expenses were \$88,644.78. Operating income, donations of \$57,217.08, and income from affairs provided net gain of \$3,099.71 for first six months of 1958. Subscriptions as of September, 1958, said to be 14,000.

WILLIAM L. PATTERSON disclosed 3,000 subs from Russia averted worse financial condition. CP USA urged by Canadian Communists to increase US circulation of "World Marxist Review", advertised in October 5, 1958 "The Worker" as "Theoretical and information journal of Communist and Workers' parties", obtainable in Canadian edition.

EDUCATION Memorandum of National Education Department, on 39th anniversary of CP USA, calls upon districts to promote study of Party history and lives and work of party leaders; revival of study of Marxist theory, and use of Marxist classics, organization of classes and schools on expanding scale, and building circulation of "The Worker", and "Political Affairs".

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At Education Committee meeting,
9/9/58, HY LUMER said task is to
re-establish work on national
scale and classes were few.
ATTEMPTS OF CP TO INFILTRATE
MASS ORGANIZATIONS

Memorandum of JAMES E. JACKSON, on
Negro Question, submitted at NEC
meeting 9/19-21/58, states that
through NAACP almost all organized
groups in Negro life may be
rallied to struggle for Negro
rights. Proposed budget of CP
USA Southern region work lists
\$2,000 for work connected with
"NAACP, et al."

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Location of National Headquarters
of Communist Party, USA

The National Office of the CP, USA is located at 23 West 26th Street, New York City, and has been so located during the period July 1, 1958 to September 30, 1958, according to information supplied by T-7 and T-9.

T-9 has supplied information reflecting that the CP, USA has its offices on the third floor of the building at the above address. This floor is the top floor but the building has, in addition, a penthouse suite which is occupied by EUGENE DENNIS as his office. At the street end of the third floor there is located a large conference room which is utilized by the Party for its committee meetings. The remainder of this third floor is divided into office space of suitable size for the use of CP officials and the staff.

The second floor of the building is occupied by the New York State CP and its space on this floor is apportioned to the same extent that the third floor is divided.

"The Worker" is a tenant of the first floor and basement. The first floor is utilized by the paper for editorial purposes and the maintenance of its research material. The basement space is used for office space by its General Manager and for the equipment utilized in preparing the paper for delivery to subscribers. The printing of the paper is done at another location.

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It is to be noted that the CP and "The Worker" do not identify themselves as tenants of the building by any sign on the exterior.

Meetings of
CP Membership

T-24 has reported on July 2, 1958, a . . . meeting attended by EUGENE DENNIS, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, JACK STACHEL, JAMES JACKSON, ROBERT THOMPSON and BENJAMIN J. DAVIS of the National Executive Committee. This meeting was said by the informant to have been for the purpose of evaluating the meeting of the National Committee held on June 28 and 29, 1958. At this meeting FLYNN urged that they agree in those areas as to which those working in the districts could engage in such activity as elections. She also said that it seemed to her that many unresolved questions could be channelized to the Program Committee and there discussed without factional approach. This Program Committee she said could prepare material so that it might be brought before the Party for comradely discussion. She said that had been her approach in the districts in which she had spoken.

FLYNN also said that it seemed to her that the comrades who come from all over the United States had no opportunity to exchange experiences at National Committee meetings.

She remarked that she had noted a particular undercurrent in the CP with great harm being done to the Party and she thought that it was the plan of the ultra-left to take over the Party. She thought that at the National Committee meeting they should have taken some action on the danger as to which an estimate would have to be very quickly made. Until the CP entered a period of health again, she thought they should attempt to bring the whole Party together.

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EUGENE DENNIS declared his belief that although the tone of the National Committee meeting had been sharp, one had to take note of the fact that there was a growing majority of the committee with a firm position based on the line of the 16th National Convention as interpreted by the National Committee at its February, 1958, meeting. DENNIS also thought that JAMES ALLEN had made a very important report at the meeting of the Program Committee. JACK STACHEL commented that there was no question but that revisionism is the main danger to the national CP movement.

ROBERT THOMPSON, according to the informant, claimed it to be a fact that they had a majority on the National Committee which is achieving unity on a more solid base. He saw evidence of this in disintegration of the right wing group. THOMPSON criticized those desiring to be regarded as among the leadership who at the same time criticized the leadership and in some instances disassociate themselves from national policy.

BENJAMIN J. DAVIS said that he regarded the National Committee meeting as extremely promising and he perceived the necessity of taking the positive points and developing them to the utmost on all levels of leadership. He thought a little more attention should have been given to the education and ideological rehabilitation of the CP and he urged that they note that practically no books are being sold and that a campaign around their Marxist literature should be developed.

T-24 has reported that on July 8, 1958, a meeting of the National Executive Committee was held at the CP office and the informant indicated that GEORGE MORRIS spoke on the labor situation in the United States. MORRIS informed the meeting that an organizing drive in the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway areas was being planned by the Teamsters union. To this end a unity by the Teamsters was being sought on the waterfront.

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JACK STACHEL reported on the financial status of "The Worker," explaining that a deficit had been incurred and it was more than anticipated. STACHEL remarked that they were not going to build the CP without "The Worker."

T-24 has advised ^{of} a meeting at the National Office of the CP held on August 5, 1958. At this meeting JACK STACHEL referred to the forthcoming election in New York and said that the CP should participate. In an apparent reference to the Independent Socialist Party he said that it is not a coalition type of party, nor a national nor a people's party, although it is presented as a substitute. STACHEL said it is not a party of socialism because only a truly Marxist party such as the CP can be a party of socialism. The problem posed, according to STACHEL, was how to act towards the people in the Independent Socialist Party, as well as those who may be influenced by that party.

ROBERT THOMPSON referred to the success of several persons in their appeal from conviction for violation of the Smith Act in New York as a significant point in the fight to emerge from the cold war and in the resistance against attacks on the working class and progressive forces.

JAMES JACKSON saw the victory in the case as a contribution to an atmosphere conducive to reviving the struggle for amnesty on behalf of GIL GREEN and HENRY WINSTON. He thought that the victory might be used to point up service of the CP to the broad democratic interests of the people in that this was a special contribution in the fight against an anti-democratic law. BEN DAVIS remarked that he thought the CP was in need of an offensive on behalf of amnesty and against the Smith Act. DAVIS urged that they find a way for taking some positive action against the forces arrayed against them. He

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observed that when the CP began to show a little fight it was right for the CP to show a hell of a lot of fight since if there was no fight there is no need for a party.

At the conclusion of this meeting, according to T-24, ROBERT THOMPSON pointed out that the agenda had not been covered, one item being passed over being the matter of a "summit meeting." He suggested that this subject be taken up at the next conference.

T-2 has reported that a meeting of the Resident National Executive Committee was held on August 19, 1958, and present were BEN DAVIS, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, HY LUMER, JACK STACHEL and ROBERT THOMPSON of the NEC.

HY LUMER reported on the current economic situation in the United States. In the course of his remarks LUMER claimed that actually 12,000,000 people were unemployed and he saw as waste the involvement of 9,000,000 in military production of one form or another.

At the conclusion of his report it was decided that it would be published in two articles appearing in the September and October, 1958 issues of "Political Affairs."

LUMER next spoke of a conference held in the New York area on the preceding weekend by the ultra left and he said that the discussion there was not whether the ultra left was to leave the party but rather how to leave it.

The informant reported that the meeting discussed the situation of the CP in Pennsylvania, it being agreed that it was one of the worst both as to Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. It was thought necessary for the National Executive Committee to dispatch a coordinator to that state but it was decided to send someone to Pennsylvania to meet with the people and then decide about a coordinator.

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The meeting finally voted to issue a statement regarding factional groups, dealing also with revisionism.

BEN DAVIS reported on his campaign in the Harlem area for election to the New York State Senate.

JOSEPH NORTH was summoned to the meeting and reported how "The Worker" was going to handle the DAVIS campaign. He explained the pages to be used and how the campaign would be featured.

WILLIAM L. PATTERSON was called into the meeting and said that after consulting with DAVIS, JACKSON and others, he had drawn up a plan of presenting a petition to the United Nations (UN) and this would complain about the treatment of Negroes in the United States. It was decided at the discussion that the petition should wait until the next session of the UN General Assembly, it being agreed that the venture must be a united front.

T-8 has reported that a meeting of the NEC was held on September 9, 1958, this being attended by EUGENE DENNIS, JACK STACHEL, HY LUMER, ROBERT THOMPSON, JAMES JACKSON and BEN DAVIS of the NEC.

VICTOR J. JEROME reported to the meeting on the Jewish question. JEROME claimed that Zionism is designed to lead the Jewish masses away from the socialist position. He also said that neither the American nor the international socialist movement had as yet developed a mature approach to the national question as a whole, or to the Jewish question in particular, which would properly relate the internationalism of the working class with the national rights of . . . nations, peoples and ethnic groups.

In the discussion of JEROME's report, STACHEL said that when they arrived at the point where they had an effective document they would call conferences in

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major cities to win support for that document.

Later at this meeting EUGENE DENNIS spoke briefly on the issue of China and noted that he was to make a report on the international situation to the meeting of the full NEC meeting scheduled for September 19 to 21, 1958.

On September 15, 1958, T-1 furnished a copy of a letter addressed to members of the NEC dated August 22, 1958. This letter proposed that the next meeting be a three day session from September 19 to 21, 1958. It was explained that three days were proposed because of an accumulation of problems and because of the lessened frequency of their meetings. An agenda which was described as tentative included as main points:

1. Elections.
2. Theoretical aspects of the Negro question, plus some immediate questions of mass work centering on the school crisis.
3. Auto.
4. New developments in the international situation and the struggle for peace.
5. Several problems of CP organization.

T-33 on September 19, 1958, reported that the first session of the three day NEC meeting was held on that date, being opened by EUGENE DENNIS who set out the agenda as follows:

September 19, 1958 session

1. Report on the war danger in China.
2. Report on the forthcoming election.
3. An information report on the progress of CP work among youth.

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September 20, 1958 agenda

1. a. Theoretical aspects of the Negro question.
b. Struggle for integration in the South.

In connection with this subject the informant reported that JAMES E. JACKSON was to report and those at the meeting were asked to read his memorandum "New Features of the Negro Question in the United States" written by JACKSON in preparation for the discussion.

September 21, 1958

1. Report on the situation in the automobile industry.
2. a. Report on the ultra left.
b. Report on revisionism.
3. Plan of work for building "The Worker" and discussion of a new system of financing "The Worker."
4. Party building.
5. Miscellaneous and good and welfare.

According to T-8, EUGENE DENNIS described the action of the government regarding Chinassas reckless and hopeless and growing out of weakness and desperation. DENNIS suggested sending telegrams to the President regarding use of the Armed Forces against China. DENNIS listed as party objectives:

1. Admission of China to UN.
2. Trade with China.
3. Utilization of labor movement by stressing what trade with China would mean to American business and labor.
4. A committee on American-Chinese friendship and a long range program to popularize China.

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ARNOLD JOHNSON reported on the election. He urged in part that the CP should have a boldness in its program and try to develop an alliance with Negro labor and try to form a nonparty political action group of Negro people in preparation for the 1960 election. JOHNSON said the Party must advance in the struggle for socialism and sharpen its ideological struggle with the Trotskyites and also urge a peace candidate for President in 1960.

In the course of discussion EUGENE DENNIS said that the CP should seek to influence along with other forces nonpartisan committees to take action on legislative and political issues. He saw the DAVIS campaign as one proving to be important in effecting a broad coalition policy in Harlem.

At the second session of the three day NEC meeting the sole item of discussion, according to T-33, was the Negro question. JAMES JACKSON, reporting on this issue, said that the CP needed to assess the capacity of the American Negro in anti-imperialist struggle and for alliance with the labor movement and other groups in the population. In conclusion, JACKSON said that there is need to develop Marxist thought among Negroes and as one suggestion he mentioned a magazine of Marxist thought for Negroes. This magazine would point out the need for socialism in the building of the CP.

In discussion of the JACKSON report, EUGENE DENNIS expressed his agreement that the slogan of the right of self determination in the "black belt" is not needed now and has not been needed for some time.

At the conclusion of the session it was finally decided that the NEC would accept the main line of the report and consider it as the basis for discussion. From the discussion a resolution is to be prepared and presented to a future meeting of the NEC.

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T-33 has also reported on the final session of the September 19 to 21 meeting of the NEC. On this occasion CARL WINTER reported on the situation in the auto industry. WINTERS report was accepted and among the proposals or demands in that connection that were approved was one declaring that the CP needs to promote a greater rank and file involvement in the solution of the problems in that industry because of complaints that the United Auto Workers is over-staffed with paid organizers and the union is not run by its rank and file. Another proposal approved was that there will be struggle for democratization of the UAW, this meaning more rights for CP members. This matter would be taken up diplomatically and quietly.

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It was also agreed that the NEC would consider ways and means of preparing proposals relating to the work of the CP inside the trade unions, among which would be the labor movement in the auto industry. The NEC would also consider a conference of trade union forces in the CP in order to ascertain how the CP could function in unions despite its being outlawed.

T-8 has reported that at this session JACK STACHEL reported on the circulation of "The Worker." He proposed that there be a three month campaign in order to obtain 3,000 new subscriptions, 3,000 bundle orders and \$30,000 in cash. The NEC voted in favor of proposals to continue the paper until the end of the year and to increase its circulation.

ROBERT THOMPSON, according to T-33, reported to this session on factional groupings in the CP. THOMPSON was reported to have said that the CP was coming out of an internal crisis and showing a certain amount of ideological health. In conclusion THOMPSON said that the resident NEC needs to move firmly against the right wing in an organized way and THOMPSON said that the more quickly the CP acts the more rapid will be the consolidation of the CP. The general line of THOMPSON'S report was approved.

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T-20 has reported that there was a meeting at CP headquarters on September 30, 1958, and members of the NEC who were present were EUGENE DENNIS, JACK STACHEL, BEN DAVIS, JAMES JACKSON and ROBERT THOMPSON. The agenda consisted of a report on the labor movement in the steel industry; the publishing of Trotskyite ads in "The Worker" and the Pennsylvania situation and the next National Committee meeting.

GEORGE MORRIS reported on steel. MORRIS expressed belief there could be a real fight around the Negro rights issue in the steel union. He said too that the CP should back the fight for a shorter work week as technology has "dcomed" many workers. MORRIS also referred to the opposition to the leadership in the steel union and said it must be organized, shaped and encouraged.

There was a discussion as to whether "The Worker" should accept Trotskyite ads. EUGENE DENNIS said he was not opposed to their publication inasmuch as not publishing such would create problems among civil libertarians. DENNIS also said that they could not gain anything by straining relations.

JACK STACHEL said he thought the ads should be run because after the election campaign they would want to continue relations with those people. ROBERT THOMPSON thought it would be a mistake to publish such ads and suggested a vote. The vote, as announced by DENNIS, was three for publication with two opposed.

In a discussion of the situation of the CP in Pennsylvania, DENNIS said he thought it might be advisable to call in the leadership in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh for discussion. BEN DAVIS said that now the CP leadership has to show more firmness and not simply let the situation drift.

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JACK STACHEL said it would be necessary to decide then what to do and favored sending someone to call together existing committees and "good" comrades and come to a conclusion on the situation there.

EUGENE DENNIS proposed that the next National Committee meeting be held on the first weekend in December. In discussion both New York and Chicago, Illinois, were mentioned as possible locations for the meeting but it did not appear that any final decision was reached.

T-23 has reported that on September 2, 1958, ROBERT THOMPSON had said that it had been proposed that the National Committee meet some time after the November election since it was felt that most people would be busy prior to then. THOMPSON noted that each meeting of the committee costs about \$5,000 and, therefore, the meetings have to be kept to a minimum number.

CP National Convention
To Be Held in 1959

ROBERT THOMPSON on September 2, 1958, according to T-23, stated that the general belief is that the national convention should be held in May or June, 1959. THOMPSON said EUGENE DENNIS thinks it should be held even later. THOMPSON said it was his opinion as well as that of JACK STACHEL, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN and HY LUMER that a national convention should not be held any earlier than May, 1959. The national leadership, he said, is aware that the ultra left wants a convention as soon as possible but the leadership does not want one until some things are cleared up.

Activity of Draft
Program Committee

T-3 has provided a copy of a letter prepared by JAMES ALLEN as secretary of the Draft Program Committee, dated July 7, 1958, and addressed to all districts. This

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letter states that public discussion and preparation of a basic program would be opened in the September issue of "Political Affairs."

ALLEN's letter asked for information as to discussions that may have been held in the district and asked for opinions on how discussions within the Party might be organized.

The same informant has made available a letter of ALLEN as secretary of this committee, dated July 10, 1958, addressed to members of the committee in which he reported that on June 30 there was a committee meeting attended by CHARLENE MITCHELL ALEXANDER, MARTIN CHANCEY, EUGENE DENNIS, SIMON GERSON, JAMES JACKSON, HY LUMER, PETTIS PERRY, AL RICHMOND, WILLIAM WEINSTONE, JIM WEST and himself.

ALLEN's letter said that the consensus of opinion at the meeting was that there is a need to establish clearly from the beginning that both revisionism and dogmatism are but two different forms of opportunism, with one or the other forming the main danger at a given time as the question was placed basically by the 16th National Convention and by the declaration of the twelve Communist Parties of socialist countries.

This letter also said that it had been agreed that November 15, 1958, was to be the target date for completion of the first round of papers on the program.

T-3 has also furnished a copy of a letter dated July 13, 1958, written by ALEXANDER BITTELMAN to ALLEN in which BITTELMAN states that he received a copy of the program questions and the letter dated July 10, 1958. His letter expressed disappointment regarding the program questions and it was described as a document lacking

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statement of key programmatic problems. BITTELMAN said it merely lists topics and lines of research. He went on to suggest his own idea of the programmatic problems involved.

T-3 has also furnished a copy of the reply of ALLEN to BITTELMAN, this being dated July 22, 1958. ALLEN claimed that the committee was proceeding in accordance with the recommendations of the initial report and, therefore, he could not agree with BITTELMAN that the work of the committee was retarding the work on the program. ALLEN asserted that publication of the program questions would open up discussion of the range of the program and all topics that might be considered controversial. Any member of the committee was free, he said, to discuss any question including formulation.

T-3 has on July 28, 1958, supplied a copy of the program questions, these being listed under the general title "The American Road to Socialism." It was noted in this list that the questions were scheduled for publication in the September, 1958 "Political Affairs." The questions propounded were listed under the following general headings:

- A. The critical problems of our society and the socialist goal.
- B. The fight for peace.
- C. To end want, for higher standard of living.
- D. For broad cultural advance.
- E. For advance and extension of democracy.
- F. The labor movement.
- G. The Negro freedom movement

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H. The struggles of the working farmers.

I. The role of the urban middle strata.

J. The fight against monopoly.

K. Political action leading toward a people's government.

L. The transition to socialism and the socialist potential.

M. The role of the CP.

T-5 has reported on July 30, 1958, that on the previous day a meeting of the Program Committee was held at the CP National Office. Those identified as attending were [redacted] and [redacted].

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The BITTELMAN letter of July 13 was read and [redacted] proposed that the committee adhere to the procedure decided upon.

There followed discussion of the program questions as proposed and according to the informant no substantial changes were made, although the document was to be corrected and edited before publication.

T-3 has provided a copy of a letter of JAMES ALLEN dated July 31, 1958, to members of the Draft Program Committee advising that the resident committee had a meeting on July 29 and had agreed to proceed with the opening of discussion in the September, 1958 "Political Affairs." ALLEN also noted that when responses were received from other districts recommendations would be made to the NEC for further organization of program work and a discussion in the districts.

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T-34 has reported that on September 18, 1958, WILLIAM Z. FOSTER had complained that the right and ultra left groups had a program but that the CP has none. FOSTER also said that in drafting a program it should be realized that any such program "is not supposed to cover the waterfront." He was critical of the use of questions in the program and observed "it is mainly basic material." FOSTER went on to say that he was writing an article entitled "Ravages of Revisionism on Party Policy."

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T-1 on September 2, 1958, has furnished a copy of a mimeographed memorandum prepared by the National Education Department, CP, USA, "On the 39th Anniversary of the CP, USA." A notation appeared thereon that it was to be published in the September, 1958 issue of "Political Affairs."

This memorandum is pointing out the occasion of the 39th Anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party in the United States, asserted that the Party is now emerging from a severe crisis, has reestablished its Marxist-Leninist bearings, and has begun a process of rebuilding and consolidation of its ranks.

The anniversary was seen as an opportunity for stepping up and advancing the strengthening of the Party, and the districts were called upon to use it as a starting point in a three month campaign, with an objective, among others, of increasing the tempo of Party registration and the establishment of functioning clubs in all areas.

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FUNDS

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(New York File 100-74560)

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CP, USA National Office
Income and Expenditures

According to information provided by T-12 on
September 11, 1958, the CP, USA National Office received
income as follows during the period January 1, 1958 to
August 31, 1958:

Dues	\$19,811.14
Initiation Fees	14.00
Convention Assessments	8.50
Southern Solidarity	
Assessments	1,153.77
Fund Drive	8,197.71
Contributions	55,259.84
Miscellaneous	<u>5,202.68</u>
Total	\$89,647.64

During the same period, the CP National Office
incurred the following expenditures, according to T-12:

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General Wages	\$22,160.00
Payroll Taxes and Insurance	1,937.26
Building Rent and Maintenance	5,230.90
Building Alterations	258.15
Office	12,639.94
National Committee and National Executive Committee Meetings	7,738.37
General Organization	10,679.36
Organization Subsidies	56.00
Party Literature	358.40
Contribution to "The Worker"	10,706.00
Research	1,059.82
Contribution to Election Campaigns	1,340.00
Defense	2,651.21
Smith Act Victims' Welfare	6,267.47
General Welfare	3,405.06
Miscellaneous Departmental	963.84
Total	\$87,451.78

CP, USA National Office
Assets and Liabilities

According to information furnished by T-12 on September 11, 1958, the CP National Office reportedly owned the following assets as of August 31, 1958:

Cash on Hand	\$1,276.40
Revolving Fund (FRED FINE)	100.00
Security Deposit on Telephone	250.00
Loans Receivable	1,128.57
Cash Seized By Internal Revenue Service	5,192.09
Furniture and Equipment	1,151.30
Total	\$9,098.36

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According to T-12, the CP National Office reportedly had the following liabilities as of August 31, 1958:

Loans Due to New York State CP	\$ 350.00
Due to Southern California CP	
for PETTIS PERRY Wages	1,258.00
Payroll Taxes and Insurance	
Payable	1,394.36
Other Loans Payable	6,300.00
Total	<u>\$9,302.36</u>

CP, USA National
Office Payroll

According to data made available by T-9 on August 29, 1958, as of July 31, 1958, the CP National Office was behind in wage payments to its staff in the amount of \$1,760.00. As of this date, five weeks' back wages were owed to EUGENE DENNIS, four weeks' back wages to JAMES JACKSON and HY LUMER, two weeks' back wages to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and WILLIAM STANLEY, and one week's back wages to ARNOLD JOHNSON and JACK SHULMAN.

On September 24, 1958, T-9 advised that the following individuals were carried on the payroll of the CP National Office in September, 1958, at the gross weekly salary rates set forth below:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Gross Weekly Salary</u>
EUGENE DENNIS	\$80.00
WILLIAM Z. FOSTER	80.00
JAMES E. JACKSON	80.00
ARNOLD S. JOHNSON	80.00

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Gross Weekly Salary</u>
HY LUMER	\$80.00
JOAN PAUL	75.00
RUTH SHULMAN	75.00
JACK SHULMAN	80.00
WILLIAM STANLEY	80.00
ROBERT THOMPSON	80.00

In addition to the above, the Illinois CP has deducted wage payments made to EARL DURHAM and FRED FINE from dues owed to the CP National Office, and the Southern California CP has done likewise with wages paid to PETTIS PERRY, indicating that the CP National Office is absorbing these expenses as part of its total wage expenditures.

BUDGET FOR SOUTHERN AND
NEGRO AFFAIRS

On October 8, 1958, T-9 furnished information concerning a proposed minimum budget for the Southern and Negro Affairs Department of the CP, USA, for the period October 1, 1958 to October 1, 1959. This budget is summarized as follows:

A - Expenses

1. Organizational and
Administrative

Field Coordinator's salary at \$75.00 per week	\$3,900.00
Travel (including 3 Southern organizational tours)	1,500.00
Southern Regional Committee meetings at \$500.00 each	1,500.00

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2. Public Educational
and Mass Work

4 Mailings at \$250.00 per mailing	\$ 1,000.00
4 Mass Folders at \$500.00 each	2,000.00
Negro Affairs Quarterly (24 or 32 pages)	2,400.00
Election Work (especially in Virginia and North Carolina)	3,000.00
Negro Trade Union Activities	2,000.00
Coordination of work regarding the NAACP, "et al"	2,000.00
Legal Defense and Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	\$20,300.00

B - Income

Southern Solidarity Stamps	\$ 7,000.00
Southern Fund Drive and Dues	2,000.00
Carnegie Hall-Negro History Week Affair	5,000.00
Benefit Dinner	1,000.00
Literature Sales	1,000.00
National Office Subsidy	<u>5,000.00</u>
Total	\$21,000.00

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SECURITY MEASURES

(Bureau file 100-3-84)
(New York file 100-81338)

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On [redacted] T-19 advised that the [redacted] for security purposes agreed that one representative to the Communist Party [redacted] to be held on [redacted] in Chicago was to report to the residence of [redacted] for instructions, particularly in regard to the exact place where the conference was to be held. It was also decided, according to T-19, that the delegates were to use names other than their true names.

On [redacted] T-19 advised that a meeting of the [redacted] and certain members of the leadership of the [redacted] CP, was held on the evening of [redacted] at which it was announced that the [redacted] scheduled to be held on [redacted] was "called off" because of the "leak" concerning the date and place of the conference which appeared in the New York papers. T-19 further advised it was decided at this meeting that a delegation of [redacted] on the following Friday evening for [redacted] where they were to contact the [redacted] leaders to determine through them exactly what the reason was for the cancellation of the [redacted]. In addition, this delegation was to attempt to establish the identity of the "leak."

On August 25, 1958, T-23 advised that ROBERT THOMPSON on August 19, 1958, stated that the CP, USA has no security organization and that he was interested in soliciting suggestions for such an organization.

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On [redacted] T-19 advised that the [redacted] was held in the [redacted]
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1958. T-19 advised that those in attendance at this meeting were introduced by their first name with the request that all people at this conference be addressed by only their first name.

On [redacted] T-27 advised that the aforementioned [redacted] was held in the [redacted] under the name of [redacted] T-27 added that participants at this meeting were instructed not to mingle in groups of more than three individuals.

On September 15, 1958, T-17 advised that the Waterfront Section of the Provisional Committee to Reconstitute the CP met on September 12, 1958. During the discussion, one of the members stated that if an FBI Agent comes to see him, he has trained his children to get the license number and description of the Agent's car.

On September 29, 1958, T-28 advised that all of the delegates who attended the Eastern Seaboard Regional Youth Conference held at Yugoslav Hall, New York City, on September 27, 1958, were challenged at the door of the Hall and at least one unknown individual was denied entrance for lack of proper credentials. T-28 added that the required credentials consisted of a plain white card approximately 1" by 3", bearing a typewritten notation of the address of the meeting. The informant commented that delegates had gone to CP Headquarters, New York City, on the morning of the meeting, where they received their credentials.

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Remarks of Robert Thompson at National Executive Committee Meeting, CP Headquarters, New York City, on September 21, 1958

T-23 advised on September 21, 1958, that ROBERT THOMPSON spoke at the third and last session of the three day meeting of the National Executive Committee of the CP, USA, held at the CP Headquarters, NYC, on September 21, 1958.

Informant stated that BOB THOMPSON said the Communist Party is coming out of an internal crisis and is showing a certain amount of ideological health. He stated that the factional groupings are separating themselves from the Party because of this, and are leaving out of desperation.

THOMPSON stated that within the Communist Party-USA, there has emerged a decisive and growing majority leadership around national policy. The same process of consolidation of the leadership is taking place in some District organizations. Although there are still many unsolved problems, the decisive feature is the growth and consolidation of the leadership. He stated that two bad spots are Pennsylvania and Southern California.

THOMPSON stated that the consolidation of the Party and the leadership is reflected in: (1) The building of the press; (2) Increased, though limited, mass work, such as the issuing of leaflets and the influencing of people during the Middle East crisis; (3) Participation both directly and indirectly in the election campaigns; (4) Some Communist Party re-building in some Districts (for example, New Jersey); and (5) Theoretical development of the Negro question (for example, the document of JAMES JACKSON entitled "New Features of the Negro Question in the United States").

Above all, the question of whether there will be a Communist Party or not has been decisively resolved. Now the

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CP is working for consolidation and unity. Some split-off groups have given up their original idea of influencing the Communist Party or of picking up the pieces if the Communist Party disintegrated. The former factional freedom has been curtailed and stopped. Continuing, THOMPSON said, HARRY HAYWOOD and ARMANDO ROMAN evidently concluded that their future inside the Communist Party was very dim and this is why they resorted to a conference and pulled out of the Communist Party.

Then THOMPSON reviewed the first issue of "The Vanguard", the publication of the Provisional Committee to Reconstitute the Communist Party - USA. He said that their first programmatic statement indicates that they do not base themselves on mass issues. They have organized themselves to work both within and on our Party. Their thesis is that the Communist Party - USA is dominated by revisionists. THOMPSON said that the ultra-Left plans a dual operation to work without and within the Communist Party - USA and it will try to intervene in the preparation for the future convention of the Communist Party - USA.

THOMPSON said that the Communist Party - USA is not naive enough to believe that the names the Provisional Committee to Reconstitute the Communist Party - USA listed is a total list of all their members. They have more. They organized their meetings with security in order to be able to continue to do some work from within the Communist Party - USA in order to demoralize the functioning of the Party.

THOMPSON said that there will be no automatic expulsion of non-leaders of the ultra-Left. Individual supporters of the ultra-Left should be called in and talked to and each case decided individually. He also stated that the Communist Party - USA should deal with this problem in its press so that the Party can talk to its members about the ultra-Left leaders and their thesis and aims. He said that the Communist Party needs a basic statement within a week to expose this group.

Next, THOMPSON said that the ultra left waited too long to damage the Communist Party. The charge of the ultra-

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Left that the Communist Party is revisionist is not real and no one will believe them. Further, since the Communist Party is doing some work, the ultra-Left grouping has reached a dead end street.

Reaction of the National Office, CP, USA,
To Action Taken By the Provisional Committee to
Reconstitute the CP, USA

"The Worker", issue of August 17, 1958, page 15, column 1, 2 and 3, contained an article captioned "Ultra-Left Factional Meeting Denounced By CP Executive Body," This article is set out as follows:

"The national executive committee of the Communist Party on Tuesday adopted a statement on a factional conference scheduled this weekend for New York. The statement follows:

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"There has come to our attention a "Call to a Conference for Marxist-Leninist Action" to be held in New York Aug. 16 and 17. The call is signed by a "Provisional Conference Committee."

"This call, which emanates from an ultra-left factional grouping which has existed for some time, attacks the Communist Party of the United States as being allegedly a revisionist, Titoist organization. "There are," it declares, "only two parties in the world in which Titoism and National 'Communism' represent the policy and program of the leadership--Yugoslavia and the United States."

"It follows these unprincipled slanders against both the Party and its leadership with a call to "a conference to weld ourselves closer together, to coordinate our ideas and tactics, and to determine the next steps required to carry forward this struggle." An accompanying letter gives as New York contacts for participants a screening committee composed of Harry Haywood and Armando Roman, both well-known as leaders of the ultra-left faction.

"This call climaxes a long period of factional, anti-Party activity, involving the circulation of factional documents repudiating the line of the Party and attacking its leadership, and consistent refusal to use Party channels of debate, deliberate sabotage of Party decisions and campaigns, refusal to support the Worker or the Party fund drive, extensive travel by representatives of the faction for the purpose of setting up local factional groups in different areas, and similar actions.

"It is a call to carry forward a struggle against the Party, and for the setting up of a dual organization in opposition to it. It is a preparation for an attempt to split the Party, and is aimed at its destruction.

"It takes place at a time when American imperialism has launched its aggression in the Mideast,

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at a time, too, when the Party is increasingly getting into action and moving forward. It is, in fact, a desperate reaction to the improving situation within the Party, the last gasp of a group which can no longer operate within its ranks as in the past.

"Those who are responsible for the organization of this factional "conference" have by this act placed themselves outside the Party, and merit expulsion from its ranks. The names of the ringleaders, such as Haywood, Roman, Ted Allen, Joe Dougher, and others known to us, are being turned over to the appropriate district committees for disciplinary action. We warn all others concerned of the possible consequences of participation in such a gathering. We urge every district to take speedy action to wipe out this anti-Party center in our midst and to eliminate such factional plotting once and for all."

T-4 advised on August 21, 1958, that he had learned, on the previous day, that the CP, USA, knew very little regarding the conference of the ultra-left that was held on the weekend of August 15 to August 17, 1958, in New York City. About all the CP did know was that the conference was held and the names of some of the "big shots" participating in the conference. The informant also advised he had learned from ROBERT THOMPSON on August 20, 1958, that the ultra-left conference was done so with full security enforced by individuals in the ultra-left. THOMPSON stated that the CP had attempted to send people to this conference, but the people that they had elected had become known as having broken with the ultra-left and they were refused entrance.

THOMPSON stated that the ultra-left conference had conclusive results. He advised that the CP must determine the identities of all the individuals that were present at the ultra-left conference. THOMPSON stated that the Party machinery was already in motion to take action against the ultra-left group. THOMPSON said that it is planned that the various Party organizations such as the County and Section organizations, will handle the interviews of those individuals on their levels in the Party organization who were present at the ultra-left conference.

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T-2 advised on August 25, 1958, that there was a meeting of the Resident National Executive Committee of the CP, USA held in New York City, August 19, 1958. The informant stated that a point of review at this meeting was what happened at the ultra-left conference. The informant stated that HY LUMER pointed out at this meeting that there was quite a discussion in the ultra-left group prior to the conference it held. The discussion among the ultra-left was not whether to leave the Party, but how to leave the Party. HY LUMER reported that at the ultra-left conference, HARRY HAYWOOD was elected Chairman and ARMANDO ROMAN was elected the General Secretary of the Provisional Committee to Reconstitute the CP, USA.

The informant stated that there was some dissatisfaction in the handling of the ultra-left conference by the National Executive Committee. The Party would have to start gathering information district by district in order to be sure of the identity of those who attended the ultra-left conference. BOB THOMPSON also thought that there is a process of differentiation taking place within the ultra-left similar to the process of differentiation taking place within the right wing. The big split in these groupings is whether to split with the Party or not. THOMPSON urged that the Party expel the leaders of this ultra-left group, but that the Party should not use the blunderbuss and hit the rank and file. The Party should try to win over as many rank and filers as possible from this new ultra-left organization.

T-2 advised on September 2, 1958, that on that date there was an informal meeting of leading members of the CP of Illinois at Party Headquarters in Chicago on that date. THOMPSON was present at this meeting and admitted that the CP did not have anyone present at the conference of the ultra-left who is able to give a good picture of what happened at the conference. THOMPSON said that it is his job to get material on what did happen at this conference. THOMPSON commented that the National leadership of the CP, USA feels that while the leaders of the ultra-left made a decision to form a new organization,

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that they instructed some of their supporters to remain in the CP. THOMPSON said that it will be the task of the CP to ferret out those ultra-left supporters who have been instructed to stay in the CP. THOMPSON said that while some persons who are sympathetic to the cause of the ultra-left did not attend the ultra-left conference, the Party does not know whether they disagreed with the decision of the ultra-left to break with the CP or whether that they did not attend the conference for tactical reasons. THOMPSON said that the Party does know that there was a split within the ranks of the ultra-left over the matter of breaking with the Party.

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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
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(NY FILE 100-86624)

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I. PLANS OF CP LEADERS TO TRAVEL
OUTSIDE THE U.S.

T-4, on 7/16/58, stated that EUGENE DENNIS, that date, said that the CP, USA, planned to send V.J. JEROME, a member of the CP, USA Jewish Sub-Committee to Canada for discussions with the CP there on the Jewish Question. DENNIS said that he anticipated serious trouble in the CP, USA over the Jewish issue and that there were many comrades who were anti-Party in regard to this issue.

Later, according to the informant, DENNIS said that after further consideration of this idea, he planned to wait until he had the opportunity to discuss this question and plan with other leaders in the CP, USA, prior to sending JEROME on this trip.

T-2, on 9/17/58, learned that V.J. JEROME planned to leave New York City in September, 1958 for Poland and England, where he planned to spend a year in an attempt to finish a book he was writing. He also anticipated traveling in the Soviet Union during this trip.

The informant also learned that date that EUGENE DENNIS said that although JEROME would ^{not} be traveling with the credentials of the CP, USA, and will not be a representative of the Jewish Commission of the CP, USA, the Party desired him to make the trip inasmuch as he would be traveling the same route as PAUL NOVICK. According to DENNIS, the CP, USA is not satisfied with NOVICK's line on the Jewish Question and that, therefore, JEROME would be able to compensate for NOVICK's "unhealthy" attitude in this matter.

JEROME, according to DENNIS, would not be received by the Soviets as the official CP, USA representative, but the Party would furnish him with documents indicating that he was the editor of "Political Affairs", a former National

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Committee member, a person who had served a prison term under the Smith Act and as such, he was a trusted comrade in the eyes of the CP, USA.

The informant also learned on 9/17/58, that in addition to JEROME and NOVICK, ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, JAMES JACKSON, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, and JOHN ABI were also going to make trips abroad in the near future.

GEORGE MORRIS was also planning to leave in mid-October to attend and address a left wing union meeting in Rome. He has an invitation to attend a trade union function in Moscow and he plans to be in the latter city for the 21st Congress of the CPSU in January, 1959. According to DENNIS, the CP, USA is undecided at the moment whether MORRIS should be given CP, USA credentials in connection with this trip.

ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, according to the informant, also is planning a trip to the Soviet Union in the near future. TRACHTENBERG is particularly anxious to be in Moscow during the 21st Congress of the CPSU in January, 1959.

The informant learned that ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN and JAMES JACKSON are preparing for trips to Moscow. According to DENNIS, they may be the officially announced delegates to the CP SU's 21st Congress held in the city.

II. CP, USA RELATIONS WITH THE CP OF MEXICO

T-23, on 7/25/58, advised that the Central Committee of the Mexican CP wrote to the CP, USA on 7/5/58 to inform them that the 13th National Congress of the Mexican CP was to be held from 9/29/58 to 10/6/58 in Torreon, Mexico. The Mexican Party extended an invitation to the CP, USA to send a delegation to the congress or, if that were not possible, then suitable greetings.

T-23, on 8/25/58, stated that on 8/17/58, JAMES JACKSON said that he was being considered as the delegate

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to represent the CP, USA at the congress of the Mexican CP at the end of September.

T-23, on 9/17/58, learned that the congress of the Mexican CP scheduled to be held on 9/29/58, had been postponed.

T-2, on 9/14/58, advised that the CP of Mexico had written to the CP, USA on 8/25/58, stating that the offices of the Central Committee of the CP of Mexico had been raided on 8/23/58 by policemen. The Party's newspaper in Mexico had also been raided. The Mexican CP blamed these raids on the fact that the government is seriously concerned by the explosion of discontent among the masses and it was trying to intimidate them. The Mexican CP concluded by asking the CP, USA to send protests of this act to the President of Mexico.

"The Worker", 9/21/58, page 3, column 1, in an item entitled "Protest Mexican Govt. Raid of CP", stated that the CP, USA had sent a telegram to the President of Mexico from EUGENE DENNIS on behalf of the Party's National Executive Committee, expressing shock at the attacks by government being carried out against workers, organizations, trade unions, and the CP. It compared these attacks with the McCarthyite attacks against liberty in the USA and reminded the President of Mexico that Mc Carthyism had been repudiated by millions of Americans.

The CP, U.S.A. went on to say that terror could not suppress the just demands of the people fighting to ease their living conditions and it was only Wall Street imperialism that greeted these attacks with sympathy because it wanted to suppress the liberties and independence of countries and peoples.

III. CP, USA MEETING REGARDING FRANCE

T-22, on 7/3/58, advised that a CP meeting, "On the Present Situation in France", sponsored by "The Worker", was held at Central Plaza Hall, 111 Second Avenue, New York, on 7/2/58. At the meeting ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, Chairman, stated "this meeting is important because this

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is our expression of solidarity with the CP and people of France in their fight against the establishment of Fascism in France." She stated that the people everywhere are fighting for peace and against the nuclear tests.

JOSEPH NORTH, a speaker at the meeting, stated that the danger of Fascism in Europe is great with De GAULLE in power, and that the CP of France is the only party fighting him. NORTH urged his listeners to alert the people to the dangers facing France and said that he was proud of the fight of the CP of France against Fascism. He charged that the U.S. Government was furnishing money to DE GAULLE to be used in the fight against the people of Algeria and he demanded that this be stopped.

BENJAMIN DAVIS, another speaker at the meeting, said that there was a connection between the struggle in France and the fight for liberty in the U.S. He urged the building of the CP, USA, as it is the only party that is fighting for Socialism in America. He criticized the "rotten imperialists" of France but added that the American imperialists should not be forgotten as they are the foundation of world imperialism. He said there could not be a stable government in France without the CP and that with the CP, France would establish a popular front government which would lead France to Socialism.

DAVIS said that there is no interference in the American CP from foreign sources. He stated, "we have our own discussions and make our own decisions and we have decided that the Soviet Union is fighting for the liberation of all colonial peoples, that the Soviet Union is building Socialism, and that the Soviet Union is fighting for peace."

The informant stated that the meeting adopted a proposal to send greetings to the CP of France in its fight against DE GAULLE.

T-24, on 7/11/58, reported that on that date BENJAMIN DAVIS stated that the American CP withdrew from

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the Communist International because of American laws. He added, however, that "we" still follow their line and way of thinking, but because of the "illegal laws" of this country the CP, USA cannot endorse anything.

IV. EXCHANGES OF LITERATURE

T-2, on 8/25/58, stated that, according to WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, three thousand subscriptions to "The Worker" are sent to Russia each week. PATTERSON stated that the financial situation of "The Worker" is very bad and if it were not for the above subscriptions, the money problem would be even worse.

T-2, on 9/14/58, advised that EUGENE DENNIS, that date, announced that the new world Communist publication "World Marxist Review" would be distributed in the United States through the Imported Publications and Products, Incorporated, 4 West 16th Street, in New York City.

V. CP, USA POSITION ON CUBA ISSUE

"The Worker", 7/13/58, page 2, column 4, in an editorial entitled "At Our Doorstep", charged a heightened reign of terror by the Batista regime; urban citizens were being abducted from their homes to be murdered and tortured. The editorial said that according to "Cuban democratic sources", the Cuban Secret Police, with FBI aid, has drawn up a list of those to be removed from the political scene. The editorial said that the overwhelming majority of Cubans wanted an end to the Batista regime and were outraged by the open and covert aid the dictator received. It concluded that once again "the imperialists of our land align themselves with the forces opposing any social and political change that would spell progress and democracy."

"The Worker", 8/10/58, page 14, column 1, in an article entitled "Protest Landing of Marines in Cuba", announced that the National Executive Committee of the CP, USA had protested the landing of the marines in Cuba on 7/28/58 as an act of aggression by U.S. military forces without any provocation. In the statement issued by the NEC, the Party called on Americans to write their Senators urging a probe by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee into the use of

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U.S. arms to shoot Cubans. The statement called for the withdrawal of all U.S. troops from Cuba and the closing of the naval base at Guantanamo. The CP, USA also sent its greetings and pledges of support to the Popular Socialist Party of Cuba in its struggle to free Cuba from the Batista tyranny.

VI. CP, USA ACTIVITIES REGARDING MIDDLE
EAST SITUATION

T-25, on 7/30/58, furnished a copy of a letter dated 7/16/58 addressed "To All Districts" by EUGENE DENNIS in which he set forth the text of a telegram he had sent to President EISENHOWER on 7/15/58 in the name of the National Committee of the CP. The telegram called the dispatch of American armed forces into Lebanon "an act of aggressive imperialist intervention in the internal affairs of that country." It menaced the national independence of all Arab nations, threatened to plunge the entire Middle East into armed conflict and constituted a grave menace to world peace.

The telegram charged that the action was taken in the interests of the oil trusts and it demanded the removal of all American military forces from the Middle East, abandonment of the EISENHOWER Doctrine, and an end to to by-passing of the UN. The telegram urged the speedy convening of a summit conference to effect a peaceful settlement of the Middle East situation and other outstanding questions.

In his letter incorporating the above telegram, DENNIS said that the presence of U.S. troops in Lebanon has created a new crisis which seriously endangers world peace and that it is important that the Party react to this situation immediately in all possible ways. He urged that all possible steps be taken to develop mass protests against the aggressive action of the EISENHOWER administration and that the national office should be kept informed of all developments in the districts.

T-7, on 7/17/58, stated that EUGENE DENNIS, that date, said that the Middle East situation was "the major thing everywhere." He urged that messages be sent in order to try and influence other people and other organizations

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to speak up on this issue. He suggested a campaign embodying postcards, resolutions and petitions be instituted dealing with the Middle East situation.

T-32, on 7/18/58, stated that SAM KUSHNER was going to send to "The Worker" office, a statement by a group of Socialists and Quakers against the U.S.'s intervention in Lebanon. KUSHNER said, however, that "unfortunately" the statements included a sentence saying that they condemn this action as they condemned the Russian action in Hungary. KUSHNER stated that he would submit the entire text of this statement and that NY could edit it as they see fit.

"The Worker" of 7/27/58, page 2, column 4, in an editorial entitled "A Perilous Moment" said that nothing before mankind today began to rival the importance of a successful summit conference for peace. It called President EISENHOWER's reply to KHRUSHCHEV's proposal for a conference "a cynical perversion of the very essence of a summit conference."

The editorial said that the voice for peace must be heard everywhere, and it called for resolutions, protest meetings, delegations to municipal, state and federal authorities to promote this.

T-3, on 8/5/58, stated that ARNOLD JOHNSON wrote to all districts on 7/31/58 to point out the various activities of some districts in regard to the current international situation. He pointed out that one district had made the struggle for peace the major point of its work and that it included daily contact with many non-Communist forces in mass organizations. JOHNSON described the effectiveness that emergency meetings of peace committees and peace organizations can have in the peace movement. He said it was also possible to initiate joint statements with these organizations on the necessity for the withdrawal of troops and the immediate convening of a summit conference. He encouraged the use of "walks for peace", picket lines, interviews and forums and statements by local union leaders or rank and file members on this issue.

T-4, on 8/11/58, stated that BOB THOMPSON, in discussing some "great developments" within the Party that date, stated that the Middle East crisis was considered a "favorable situation" from the point of view of the CP and it is already

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beginning to show positive results. (1) bundle orders for "The Worker" have increased by 1300 copies in the last two weeks, (2) meetings and forums are being held in many districts with the Middle East issue as a focal point, and (3) the sections are showing activity and life as a result of this issue.

T-23, on 9/8/58, stated that HYMAN LUMER wrote to all districts on 9/4/58 enclosing a copy of a leaflet issued by the New Jersey CP which the national office planned to issue on a national basis. He requested that all districts place their orders for this leaflet.

The leaflet which LUMER enclosed was entitled "No War for Oil!" It charged, then by quoting excerpts from non-Communist sources, that the U.S. was being led to war only to protect the colossal profits of the oil monopolies. It claimed that the Soviet Union, which has no oil trusts, has stood consistently for freedom of the Arab nations and has had no troubles in the Middle East.

The leaflet urged that a foreign policy consistent with the principles of the Declaration of Independence, the UN Charter and the Bandung Declaration of the Afro-Asian nations be adopted. It also urged all its readers to write to the President demanding the immediate withdrawal of American troops in Lebanon, freedom of the Arab countries to settle their own affairs, and a summit conference of the big powers for peaceful negotiation of all differences.

VII. CP, USA POSITION ON CHINA-FORMOSA ISSUE

"The Worker", 9/14/58, page 3, column 1, in an article entitled "CP Telegram Urges Withdrawal of U.S. Navy from China Waters," announced that the CP, USA had protested by telegram to President EISENHOWER the deployment of U.S. Naval forces in China's territorial waters. It charged that the renewed use of the U.S. fleet in those waters was an act of aggression against the People's Republic of China and that this action was fraught with the greatest danger of war. In this situation, the CP, USA claimed that it joined hands with millions of other Americans to call for the

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withdrawal of all American military forces from Chinese territorial waters, resumption of negotiations with the People's Republic of China at the ambassadorial level looking toward establishment of normal diplomatic relations between the two countries, and support by the United States of the People's Republic of China request for admission to the UN.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN CP, USA
AND FOREIGN CP'S

Czechoslovakia

T-1, on 8/4/58, advised that the CP of Czechoslovakia wrote to the CP, USA in April, 1958, announcing that the 11th Congress of the Czechoslovakian CP would be opened in Prague on 6/18/58. An invitation was issued to the CP, USA to be represented at this Congress by a delegation of one or two members.

Uruguay

T-9, on 8/8/58, advised that EUGENE DENNIS and ROBERT THOMPSON, as National Secretary and Executive Secretary, respectively, of the CP, USA, wrote to the CP of Uruguay on 8/4/58, sending the heartfelt greetings of the CP, USA to the CP of Uruguay on the occasion of its 17th Congress. The letter charged that "Yankee Imperialism" was the main cause of poverty and political oppression in Latin America and that it had brought the world to the brink of war. The key to all victories was the further strengthening of CP's in all countries. The letter concluded with regrets that the CP, USA was unable to send a fraternal delegation to the Congress in Uruguay but the CP, USA was certain that the work of the Congress would be a brilliant affirmation and application of Marxism-Leninism and a guide and inspiration to the peoples of Uruguay.

Colombia

T-9, on 9/12/58, advised that the CP of Colombia wrote to the CP, USA on 9/8/58 to announce the 8th Congress of the CP of Colombia, to be held on 11/7/58.

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The CP of Colombia invited the CP, USA to send a fraternal delegation to this congress for the interchange of experiences and for strengthening the bonds between fighters for the cause of peace, democracy and national liberation based on the principles of Marxism-Leninism. The letter also requested that greetings be sent in the event it was impossible to send a fraternal delegation.

The informant also advised that the CP of Colombia, on 9/8/58, wrote to the CP, USA, requesting that the latter's publications be sent to the Colombian CP.

39th Anniversary of CP, USA

T-1, on 9/2/58, advised that ROBERT THOMPSON, Executive Secretary of the CP, USA wrote a letter dated 8/22/58, addressed "To All Fraternal CP's", announcing that the CP, USA would be celebrating its 39th Anniversary at a large meeting to be held in New York City on 9/26/58. THOMPSON reviewed the activities of the CP, USA in regard to recent international issues and the work that it was doing around the growing economic crisis in the US. THOMPSON's letter stated that greetings from all the fraternal CP's would be deeply appreciated by those in attendance at the above meeting.

"The Worker", 9/28/58, page 3, column 1, under the title "Greetings to CP from USSR, China", announced that the CP, USA had received a congratulatory note from the CP, SU on the occasion of the 39th Anniversary of the CP, USA. The letter from the CP, SU stated that the CP, USA was true to the ideas of Marxism-Leninism and had gone through a glorious path of struggle for the toiling masses of the USA. It also said that the CP, USA had undergone many hardships and was persistently fighting to strengthen the unity of Party ranks on the foundation of the teachings of Marxism-Leninism.

The CP of China, in its letter of greetings, said that the CP, USA was the most faithful defender of the interests of the American working class and that in recent years,

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waging a struggle in the most difficult circumstances, it had cleared out the revisionist elements and safeguarded the basic principles of Marxism-Leninism. The CP of China was convinced that through the struggle of the CP, USA the American people would increasingly realize that the reactionary policy of the U.S. imperialist war group would only lead to the most terrible disaster for the people of the U.S. The CP of China wished the CP, USA, under the leadership of Comrades FOSTER and DENNIS, new successes in the struggle to safeguard the democratic rights of the American people and defend world peace.

On page 9 of the same issue of the "The Worker" excerpts from letters of greeting from the CPs of India, Tunisia, Colombia, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, The Netherlands, and Canada were also printed. The content of these excerpts were substantially the same as those noted above.

"The Worker", 10/5/58, page 14, column 3, contained excerpts from the letter of greetings sent to the CP, USA by the CP of France. In this letter the CP of France reviewed the struggles in which the CP, USA, was engaged and said that it's struggles were also those of the French CP. The CP of France predicted success in their fight by reason of the ideological unity of the two parties and the creative application of principles of Marxism-Leninism.

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UNITED NATIONS
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I. CP PICKET LINE AT OFFICES OF U.S.
MISSION TO UN.

"The Worker", 7/27/58, page 16, column 1, in an article entitled "Ben Davis Leads Picket Line at Lodge's Office", stated that a picket line protesting the U.S. intervention in the Middle East was led by BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, Chairman of the New York State CP, before the offices of the U.S. Mission to the UN, at 2 Park Avenue, New York City, on 7/22/58. The marchers carried picket signs urging negotiations at the summit to prevent World War III and urging that Mr. LODGE speak for the American people and not for the Rockefeller oil interests.

According to the article, ARNOLD JOHNSON, JAMES JACKSON, and WILLIAM PATTERSON also marched on the picket line. An attempt made by the marchers to speak to Mr. LODGE was unsuccessful so a letter was left at his office calling for a reversal of the dangerous path of intervention in the Middle East.

II. CP, USA CONSIDERING SUBMITTING A
PETITION TO THE UN

T-8, on 8/19/58, stated that at a meeting of CP, USA resident NE held that date, WILLIAM L. PATTERSON proposed that the CP, USA undertake the preparation of a petition calling upon the UN to take cognizance of the plight of the Negro people in the South. It would be filled with factual data from about 1956 to date. He suggested that Negro clergymen who have shown dissatisfaction with the attitude of the government be mobilized and that pickets bearing signs opposing the role of American imperialism in the South demonstrate before the UN Building. PATTERSON believed that this action would have a tremendous impact on the Asiatic and African press, as well as on the activities of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and other organizations participating in the fight for Negro rights.

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The informant stated that this proposal of PATTERSON's was favorably discussed by the other leaders present at the meeting and it was decided that the petition should be a united front effort and should be presented at the next session of the UN General Assembly. PATTERSON was told to consult with other Negro leaders as the first step toward initiating this petition.

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COLONIAL MATTERS
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T-24, on 7/1/58, stated that on that date, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, stated that the report that EUGENE DENNIS had given at the National Committee meeting in June, 1958, did not go into the colonial question enough. DAVIS felt that the Party has not had a good idea of its vanguard role in the colonial liberation movement. He believed that the Party failed to show the South American people that Vice-President NIXON could not represent the entire American viewpoint. He added that the Party should be thinking of how it can build a fire under the American imperialists to show them that they do not have the support of the people in Venezuela and other Latin and South American countries.

DAVIS said that the colonial movement started in Africa but it will move to this continent and will have practical application to the CP, USA. It will ^{open} up a whole new field and will affect the Puerto Rican movement in New York City.

T-22, on 7/3/58, advised that at a CP meeting "On the Present Situation in France" ~~which~~ was held on 7/2/58 at the Central Plaza Hall, 111 2nd Avenue, New York City, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS spoke on the liberation movement of the colonial people of the world. He said, "Africa is the last big prize the imperialists are about to lose." We have a duty to support this liberation movement. We must alert the American working class to the importance of their solidarity with the people of Africa."

T-2, on 8/25/58, stated that at a meeting of the National Executive Committee held on 8/19/58, in New York City, those present talked about the influences of the anti-colonial movement upon the American Negro and the fact that the Party must make a full study of this anti-colonialism and how the Socialist countries, particularly the Soviet Union and China, have given support to this movement.

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POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

(Bufile 100-3-72)
(New York 100-79717)

This section was prepared by SA FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN:

On September 29, 1958, T-2 advised that a meeting of the National Executive Committee of the Communist Party, USA, was held in New York City on September 19, 20 and 21, 1958.

The informant added that at the session held on September 19, 1958, ARNOLD JOHNSON delivered a report on elections.

In this report JOHNSON analyzed the results of recent elections in several states.

He pointed out that the elections in Maine, Utah and Wisconsin were dominated by the events in the Mideast and Far East.

He added that the results of the Maine election and of the California primary were answers to the policies of EISENHOWER and DULLES.

JOHNSON mentioned Detroit as an example of an election campaign in which labor played an independent role.

He continued that elections in Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and Florida were decided on the basis of local issues.

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JOHNSON, according to the informant, described the United Socialist ticket as an attempt to substitute a new party for the Communist Party.

He added that the Communist Party must do everything possible in order to smash this ticket because if the United Socialist ticket obtains 50,000 votes for the governorship, it could become a threat to the Communist Party.

JOHNSON, in speaking of the 1960 election campaign, stated that the ousting of the Dixiecrats would be the most important objective.

He also stated that slogans should be composed centering around economics, peace and civil rights.

EUGENE DENNIS, according to the informant, at the same meeting urged that the Communist Party emphasize the slogan, "Oust the Dixiecrats."

He added that a cry should be raised to impeach all those who have violated the Constitution, thus involving every Dixiecrat.

BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR., according to the informant, at the same meeting stated that the Communist Party must think ahead so that labor can free itself of the two party machines, Republican and Democratic.

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DAVIS attacked the Trotskyites, saying that the bourgeoisie are using the Trotskyites to prevent the formation of a real third party in the United States.

In conclusion DAVIS discussed the reconstruction of the Communist Party in Harlem. He said that the Communists have to (1) clarify the Negro question; (2) clarify the electoral role of the Communist Party and participate in these elections and (3) unify the Communist Party in the actual struggle and establish a united front with other mass organizations.

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LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

(Bufile 100-3-70)
(NY file 100-80636)

This section was prepared by SA JAMES M. KIRBY.

On August 19, 1958, according to T-2, a meeting of leaders of the Communist Party was held at its national office on that date.

The informant advised that during the meeting, BENJAMIN DAVIS commented, "They must develop ways and means to capture the imagination of people, the masses, the workers, which brings them in direct contact with the monopolies of the City, and show them there is ample money in the City of New York, especially the big corporations, to meet the needs of the people." DAVIS said there are some hundred odd billionaire corporations and over 1,000 in the multi-millionaire category. In reference to corporate taxes, DAVIS said it would be wise for the Party leaders to meet with some lawyers and legislative experts for the purpose of drawing bills which could attack the whole question of taxation. DAVIS felt that the drawing of a bill would give the Party an entree to the rank and file, the Negro people's movement, and other segments of the population.

On September 15, 1958, T-1 made available a document which reflected that ARNOLD JOHNSON, Secretary of Public Affairs, CP, USA, appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in Washington, DC, on July 17, 1958.

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The document reflected that JOHNSON introduced himself as Secretary of Public Affairs of the CP, USA, appearing in behalf of that organization to oppose a pending bill entitled, "A Bill to Provide Standards For the Issuance of Passports and Other Purposes". In his remarks JOHNSON said, "the bill was an expression of Mc Carthyism, which the American people repeatedly repudiated in elections. This bill is directed against all Americans who advocate peace, who disagree with Secretary of State DULLES, and not only against Communism and those who disagree with Communists."

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DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES
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(NY file 100-89691)

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Campaign to Free HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN

On August 18, 1958, T-10 made available a letter dated August 15, 1958, addressed: "To All Members of the National Committee and to All Districts." This letter is signed " ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, for the National Committee," and concerns the amnesty and parole campaign for HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN.

This letter noted that the United States Court of Appeals on August 5, 1958, reversed the last New York Smith Act conviction and dismissed the indictment based on Supreme Court decisions in the California and Connecticut cases. The letter pointed out that the Smith Act is not dead because the membership clause is being used to try various CP members and further, because two of the CP leaders, HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN, still face five more years in Federal prisons.

The letter points out that today is the most appropriate time to act in their behalf, and therefore, National Committee members are urged to set an example in assuming personal responsibility for the necessary work in the districts to speed the release of WINSTON and GREEN by a campaign for parole and for amnesty.

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The letter notes that WINSTON and GREEN will be eligible for parole this fall and they are making applications to the October meeting of the United States Board of Parole. The letter notes further that many hundreds of letters urging amnesty have gone to President EISENHOWER.

The letter also points out that the Families of the Smith Act Victims Committee of Chicago has issued a brochure giving the plan of activity and the necessary data and that these brochures are available in all CP Districts.

T-2 advised on August 25, 1958, that a meeting of the resident NEC of the CP, USA, was held at CP headquarters in New York City, on August 19, 1958,

The informant advised that one of the items which was taken up at this meeting was the amnesty campaign for HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN. According to the informant, the NEC agreed to exert its energies to prepare for the United States Board of Parole hearing for WINSTON and GREEN, which is scheduled this fall.

On September 22, 1958, T-10 made available a letter from ARNOLD JOHNSON, dated September 17, 1958, which was addressed "to all Districts and to all National Committee members." This letter concerns the application of HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN for parole.

In this letter, JOHNSON writes that the National office of the CP suggests that each District should have a project to visit selected people and get them to write to the United States Board of Parole in behalf of HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN. The letter suggests that labor leaders, Negro leaders, clergymen, social workers and other prominent public figures be contacted in this regard.

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T-11 advised on September 8, 1958, that ROBERT THOMPSON participated in a CP meeting in Chicago, Illinois on September 3, 1958, which concerned the work being done and the future action to be taken in the parole campaign in behalf of HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN.

T-11 advised that those attending the meeting discussed what is being done nationally in the parole campaign for WINSTON and GREEN. THOMPSON stated that when he returns to New York he will determine who is handling the publicity in this regard in the New York City area. THOMPSON stated NORMAN THOMAS is heading the drive for sponsors for WINSTON and GREEN; however, there is some question as to whether his letters to the parole board can be used or if it is strictly a private situation. THOMPSON asserted that BEN DAVIS has used the WINSTON and GREEN cases in his campaign for the New York State Senate, however, the CP will not have DAVIS overdo this matter in searching for a campaign issue. THOMPSON asserted that when he returns to New York City, he will look into the reasons why the Committee has not begun to function on these cases. THOMPSON stated that the Committee had been set up in this regard, but it is not functioning effectively and that he intends to do something about it.

The August 17, 1958 issue of "The Worker" carried an article on page nine, columns three - five, by ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN captioned "Foley Square - Cracked At Last."

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This article reflects that since December, 1948, the Federal Court House in Foley Square, has been the scene of costly trials and appeals in Smith Act cases. The article related that this pattern was broken with the United States Court of Appeals decision on August 5, 1958, which reversed the convictions of six defendants and dismissed the indictments in their cases.

The article continued that eleven members of the National Board of the CP were sentenced there, and that eight served their sentences and are still under indictment based on the membership clause of the Smith Act.

The article reflects that HENRY WINSTON and GIL GREEN are still in prison and that letters should be written to President EISENHOWER urging him to act at once on behalf of these two individuals.

Economic Situation

T-2 advised on August 25, 1958, that a meeting of the resident NEC of the CP, USA was held at CP Headquarters, New York City, on August 19, 1958.

T-2 reported that one of the items on the agenda was a report by HY LUMER on the present economic situation in the United States. LUMER stated that there is no basic change in the economic picture at the present time and that mass unemployment is still with us. He stated that $5\frac{1}{2}$ million people are out of work and that $1/3$ of the American families have had a reduction in income, which is due to shorter work hours. LUMER stated there may be a pickup in employment, but predicted this would just be a temporary development and that the economic situation would become worse if a cut in military spending materialized.

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Peace Issues

On August 18, 1958, T-2 made available a mimeographed letter, dated July 31, 1958, addressed "to all Districts" and signed "Arnold Johnson" which deals with activities for peace and a summit meeting.

In this letter JOHNSON instructs all CP Districts to furnish the national office of the CP with an analysis of what is being done by the CP, as well as "other forces" regarding the peace movement in their particular Districts. According to the letter, JOHNSON writes that this analysis is needed in order for the national office of the CP to evaluate what is happening in this field on a national basis.

Miscellaneous

On August 29, 1958, T-2 made available a three page mimeographed document captioned "New Offensive Against Peoples Rights." According to T-2, this item was prepared by JAMES WEST, a member of the State Committee of the Illinois CP and was distributed through channels of the CP, USA. The document states in part:

"Despite a number of important victories for democratic rights in recent years, there are many signs today of a renewed offensive against the people's rights, led by the Justice Department, the FBI, the Un-American Activities Committee, the McClellan Committee and the race-supremacist ruling class of the South..

"Among recent important developments are:

"1. Revival of the Smith Act 'membership' cases....

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"2. Conviction of 7 defendants in the Cleveland Taft-Hartley 'conspiracy' case...

"3. Revived activity of the House Un-American Activities Committee, despite the set-back it received in the Watkins and Sweezy decisions....

"4. The drive to pass the Jenner Bill (as amended by Sen. Butler). This bill would reverse by Congressional action the decisions of the Supreme Court on Smith Act 'conspiracy' cases, government 'security' firings, Congressional contempt cases, state 'sedition' laws, and other questions.

"5. The McClellan Committee's openly anti-labor role as revealed in the Kohler and Perfect Circle hearings.

"6. An intensified ideological drive to win public support for a new wave of repression and to counteract the effect of last year's Supreme Court decisions. The campaign to glorify J. Edgar Hoover as the oracle of 'Americanism' reached a new climax in the build-up of his book, 'Masters of Deceit.'

"7. Retreat by the Justice Department on civil rights questions in the South from even the minimum stand taken under Brownell....."

Under the caption, "The Role of the C.P. and the Left", the document states in part:

"Some issues which merit our immediate attention are: - (1) the Smith Act, both in regard to the 'membership' cases, the freedom of Green, Winston, Potash and Thompson, through assistance to a nation-wide campaign for parole; (2) the Jenner-Butler Bill to 'curb' the Supreme Court; (3) the Cleveland Taft-Hartley 'conspiracy' case; (4) the struggle for Negro rights, with special attention locally to the threat of mob violence; and (5) the defense of the rights of the foreign born against whom the McCarran-Walter Law operates with undiminished viciousness."

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STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY

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(NY file 100-89590)

This section was prepared by SA JAMES M. KIRBY.

On September 4, 1958, T-18 advised that he had learned on September 2, 1958, that a CP Regional Steel Commission was to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, near the end of September, 1958. Informant advised that Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Gary, Indiana, and Pittsburgh would send representatives to the meeting.

On September 6, 1958, T-19 advised that a CP Railroad conference was held in Chicago, Illinois, on that date. Informant said there were 16 persons in attendance, and that they came from Midwestern and Eastern States.

Informant advised that the group proposed the following as its future program:

1. Attempt to obtain 100 new CP railroad members by the end of the year, namely, 1958.
2. Nationalize railroads.
3. Strive for a 30 hour week.
4. Obtain pensions for railroad employees having 30 years service at one-half pay.

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5. Obtain severance pay for railroad employees.
6. Set up united negotiations and united settlements for all railroad employees.
7. Set up a program of safety on the railroads, particularly in regard to the lack of adequate maintenance of railroad equipment.
8. Fight for jobs for Negroes on the railroad.

Informant advised that it was agreed to implement this program through proper channels, namely, through the CP State Committees and the National Committee. It was decided that the National Committee should be requested to finance and organize a campaign within the railroad industry.

T-19 said the group expects to hold a National Railroad conference within the next six months, which will be for the purpose of organizing a National Railroad Commission of the CP, and it will be attended by representatives from all sections of the United States.

On September 11, 1958, T-2 advised that he had learned that during a meeting of the CP Railroad conference, which was recently held in Chicago, that a coordinating committee was established, which committee is presently comprised of members from Chicago, New York, Boston, and Minneapolis. However, in the event that other members are recruited by additional states, there will be new representatives placed on the committee. The informant said the headquarters of the coordinating committee will be in Chicago.

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On September 3, 1958, T-19 advised that he had learned that on that date, ROBERT THOMPSON met with leaders of the Illinois CP, at which time the CP's policy on industrial matters was discussed.

The informant said THOMPSON discussed the feasibility of a regional commission in the Midwest, and a proposed Trade Union Commission, which was supposed to have been established by the National Committee during its last meeting.

THOMPSON was of the opinion that the Trade Union Commission would overlap with the Regional Commission, as far as personnel is concerned. He said he had been considering the establishment of a commission which would include CP men in industry, such as steel, auto, and others, with the idea of meeting periodically. He concluded his remarks by expressing the opinion that the most feasible solution is the Regional Commission, coordinated under the National Committee and the Executive Committee.

On September 30, 1958, T-20 advised that on that date, a meeting of top CP functionaries was held at CP headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, New York City.

The informant advised that GEORGE MORRIS presented a report on the recent Steel Union Convention. MORRIS reviewed the convention and concluded that it was the lack of organization and strategy which defeated the opposition forces in their drive to defeat the "MC DONALD Machine".

MORRIS said the Party should lead the fight for the shorter work week, as technology has doomed many workers. He also felt that the Party should wage an effective fight in behalf of Negroes in the steel unions.

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In conclusion, MORRIS said the Party should make unions more aware of their role in 1959, by criticising, yet supporting them. He said more pressure should be placed on the expansion of their program. He felt this could be accomplished through "The Worker" and through the distribution of ten to fifteen thousand flyers.

On September 21, 1958, T-2 advised that sessions of the National Executive Committee, CP, USA, were held in New York City, on September 19, 20, 21, 1958. The informant advised that a discussion of the situation in the auto industry was had during the meeting.

The informant advised that CARL WINTER made a report on the situation in the automobile industry, which report concerned the recent contract of the United Automobile Workers and the Ford Motor Company.

A general discussion of the contract was had upon the completion of WINTER's report, at which time it was said that the CP feels that the contract is a bad one, but will not advise the workers to refuse the contract. However, the Party will tell the workers and a few locals not to endorse the contract where there is sentiment in these locals for local demands, as exists in Buffalo and in Chicago.

A motion to endorse WINTER's report was passed. In addition, the following proposals or demands were approved:

- (1) That the Communist Party needs to launch a greater rank-and-file involvement in the solution of auto problems, since there is a complaint that the United Auto Workers is over-staffed with paid Organizers and the Union is not run by the rank-and-file members.

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- (2) That the United Auto Workers should pay more attention to the unemployed who do not receive notice of union meetings and do not receive the union paper.
- (3) That special attention be paid to Negroes who make up the bulk of the unemployed in the auto industry.
- (4) That there be criticism of United Auto Workers officials for not getting Fair Employment Practices clauses in contracts.
- (5) That more attention be paid to skilled workers who are discontent and dissatisfied. This is necessary in order to prevent rifts and the formation of craft divisions in the union.
- (6) That there be a struggle for democratization of the United Auto Workers. This means more rights for CP members and this matter should be taken up diplomatically and quietly.
- (7) That there be a fight for autonomy in the Locals, since the United Auto Workers is over-centralized. This could be an effective weapon to pry away local leaders who have grievances against the top leadership of the United Auto Workers.
- (8) That the question of the effect of automation on unemployment of the United Auto Workers membership be taken up. The reason for this is, according to WINTER's report, that the United Auto Workers membership is now below one million, while it was reportedly one and one-fourth million at one time. WINTER also reported that during the no-contract period there was no check-off system. Yet, since the negotiations started and unemployment decreased, there has been a catastrophic drop in dues payments.

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The following series of proposals were also accepted at this National Executive Committee meeting:

- (1) Muster maximum support for local strikes, particularly against the chief grievance -- namely, speed-up.
- (2) Support the demands of skilled workers within the framework of the United Auto Workers and fight for the preservation of the industrial union. However, starting with the Ford's River Rouge plant in Detroit, insist on plant-wide seniority, particularly in Ford, where there is no plant-wide seniority.
- (3) Explain the inadequacy of economic gains and that the reason for this is the class collaborationist policy of the United Auto Workers leadership and the failure to mobilize the rank-and-file, particularly the Negro and the unemployed. To this, add the demand that the United Auto Workers proceed with the organization of the un-organized in the South.
- (4) Recognize the significance of the Communist Party and its failure to co-ordinate its work in the United Auto Workers and auto shops. Also, to note the absence of an organized Left progressive group in the United Auto Workers.
- (5) Hold district and regional conferences of the Communist Party to discuss numerous questions which confront the United Auto Workers.

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- (6) Renew the propaganda and agitation campaign for a shorter work week. This demand should be the trade union answer to speed-up and automation.
- (7) That the National Executive Committee consider ways and means of carrying out the following:
 - (a) To prepare proposals of a national organizational character for the auto industry. That is, to take up the question of the role of the Communist organization, the method of work of the Communist Party, and the methods of Communist Party work inside the trade unions.
 - (b) To hold a conference of trade union forces in the Communist Party and discuss with them the fact that the Communist Party is outlawed in the trade unions and how the Party should function in the trade unions despite bans.
 - (c) Prepare proposals for promoting a central magazine or paper which would give expression to the views of the rank-and-file in the trade unions. This magazine might be similar to the defunct "March of Labor". This magazine should be looked upon as a rallying center for progressive forces in the trade unions.
 - (d) Carry on a campaign at the Local level for FEPC in auto contracts.

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Call To Action On The Current Situation In
Connection With Desegregation Of The Schools
In The South

T-1, on September 15, 1958, furnished a copy of a press release which was issued by the National Executive Committee, CP, USA, and by JAMES E. JACKSON, Secretary For Southern Affairs, CP, USA. This document issued a call to action on the current situation in connection with desegregation of the schools in the South. Contained within the document is the statement that the situation in the South which has been allowed to deteriorate to the present crisis stage is primarily the responsibility of President Eisenhower. Continuing, JACKSON stated, in this document "The Eisenhower Administration, in an outrageous manifestation of racist bias, has left the Negro people and the Negro school children totally unprotected in the exercise of their lawful constitutional rights. Eisenhower has thus far refused to honor his oath of office to uphold and enforce the laws of the land where they concern the elementary rights of Negro people." Continuing, JACKSON stated:

"To win this fight requires the resolute and demonstrative action of millions NOW. We call upon our fellow citizens individually and through the Trade Unions, the Churches, and all democratic organizations of the people to use all appropriate means to impose their demand upon President Eisenhower, the Department of Justice, the Congressmen and Senators:

"....To intervene in defense of the rights of the Negro people in the struggle against the backward looking, reactionary forces of the Southern segregationists.

"....To support a full program of federal law enforcement in the Southern states to secure the rights of the Negro people.

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"....To demand the imprisonment of Faubus and his ilk, of the White Citizens Council leaders, and of the KKK chieftains.

"....To manifest solidarity with the embattled school children and Negro freedom fighters in the Deep South by militant demonstrations directed at compelling Governmental action to protect the Negro people of the South in the exercise of their rights.

"....To concert the full strength of the Negro people, with a maximum of Labor, Church, and Student support in a nationwide "No-Work Holiday for Freedom NOW."

"....To develop grass roots and community actions of all kinds to raise this struggle to the level of a continuing countrywide crusade until complete victory is achieved."

"New Features of The Negro Question In The United States"

T-3, on September 18, 1958, furnished a copy of a document entitled: "New Features Of The Negro Question In the United States", which document was prepared by JAMES E. JACKSON, was dated September 20, 1958, and carried the notation: "Not For Publication."

T-2 advised on September 19, 1958, that this document was distributed at the first days session of a three day National Executive Committee meeting, of the CP, USA. The informant stated that those present at the meeting were instructed to carefully review this document on September 19, 1958, in preparation for the second day's session of the National Executive Committee meeting on September 20, 1958, wherein the Negro question would be discussed in detail.

In a section of this document captioned "On The Theory Of The Negro Question in the United States", JACKSON states:

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"The Negro people are the most severely oppressed and all-sidedly exploited of all the people who make up the American nation of the United States.

"The Negroes in the United States are not constituted as a separate nation. Rather, they have the characteristics of a racially distinctive people or nationality who are a historically determined component part of the American nation of the United States.

"To conclude that the Negro people in the United States are not a nation is not to say that the Negro question in the U.S. is not a national question. It is indeed a national question. The question is, however, a national question of what type, with what distinguishing characteristics, calling for what strategic concept for its solution?

"In reference to the national question one must above all be guided by Lenin's admonition that no problem can be presented for practical solution if represented in isolation. The particular national question must be viewed and represented at all times in the context of its total relationships to the historical primary social forces. That is to say, it would be a reckless exercise to present the Negro question in the United States divorced from the historical and social national and world influences and relationships which bear upon and in large measure decide the frame in which it can achieve resolution.

"It is not at all necessary to deny the fact that the Negro people in the area of their majority in the Deep South exhibit to one degree or another characteristics common to distinctive nations in order to establish the fact that such nation-like attributes are not determinative for either the solution or representation of the Negro question in the United States. Such characteristics cannot of themselves mark out the course of development and pathway to Negro freedom.

"The relevance of the general principle of self-determination to the reality of the Negro people's status and outlook in the U.S. can be expressed as follows:

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"The right of a people -- irrespective of their level of, or direction of development as a national entity--to act in concert, or in alliance with fraternal classes and peoples, under the direction of their own leadership, after the fashion they may choose, in pursuance of their own goal of freedom as they so conceive and construe it to be at any given moment, is an inalienable democratic right of that people which can neither be acceded or withdrawn by any other power. In this sense, the right to self-determination is to the community what the right to freedom of conscience and freedom of political choice is to the individual."

In this document JACKSON set forth five immediate objectives of "the Negro freedom course." These objectives are:

1. - Force the Government and courts to make concessions toward the securing and enforcing of the equal rights of Negroes against segregation and discrimination.
2. - To force industries to drop barriers against the employment, training, and upgrading of Negroes.
3. - To force landlords to yield concessions on the plantations and to better the lot of the working farmers.
4. - To force public and private institutions to abandon one restrictive measure after another.
5. - To secure effective representation in government at all levels.

JACKSON also pointed out in this article that in order to better the Negro's position in the South, the Party should organize the unorganized Southern workers of factory and farm and should strengthen the presence and activity of Left forces in the trade unions.

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YOUTH MATTERS

(Bureau file 100-3-76)
(New York file 100-80644)

This section was prepared by SA JOHN R. HAWKEN.

On July 8, 1958, T-29 advised JIM WEST stated on July 7, 1958, it was decided at the June 28 and 29, 1958 National Committee meeting of the CP, USA that a national commission would be set up for youth work.

On July 31, 1958, T-30 advised that on July 26, 1958, AL LANNON stated that the youth who attended the last World Youth Festival have formed a youth group which is not identified by name but which LANNON described as a Marxist-Leninist organization with no affiliations. LANNON added that he had been in constant touch with a member of this organization who thought it would be a good idea to get a charter from the Party and form a young Communist group. To this, LANNON stated he replied in the negative as he felt there is no Communist Party today. LANNON further indicated that this youth group is spreading all over the country and that this group could bring the Party out of the mess it is in today.

"The Worker" for August 17, 1958, page 9, column 2, contains the following:

"The Seventh World Youth Festival will be held in Vienna in the summer of 1959.

"Dedicated to 'peace and friendship' last year's festival in Moscow was attended by 34,000 youth from 131 nations. My God, I never knew there were that many nations....

"In an appeal to American youth to begin work NOW on a cultural program for the 1959 festival, the U.S.

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Festival Committee notes that for the first time the bi-annual event will be held in a western country.' It noted further that last year there were 679 concerts, a jazz competition in which 16 bands took parts, 50 films shown, and 1,872 sports events, and that 'in none of these events were the American participants able to take part fully because of lack of organization support of the Festival.' "

"The U.S. Festival Committee has offices at 27 West 84 Street, New York 24."

Volume one, #5, of "Party Affairs" for September, 1958, page one, column two, under the caption "For Party Action on Youth Work" contains an article headed "On the Problems of Youth," by EARL DURHAM.

This article notes that the youth question has become one of the most significant problems facing the country and that growing numbers of people are seeking the answers to the shameful conditions that prevent youth from enjoying a peaceful, happy and secure future. As yet, "our Party has not found the way to a fundamental evaluation and estimate of this major question" which "seems to be the biggest victim of the past year's debate."

DURHAM further notes that after some preliminary discussions in different areas, it was found that a more fundamental approach was necessary - one that leads to immediate programmatic and organizational measures - and also urges that each district take steps to organize discussions and activities with these objectives in mind.

Next, mention is made of the economic status of youth, and factors sharply affecting the younger workers are listed as:

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A) Lower seniority and less job experience, leading to a higher lay-off rate;

B) Less coverage by trade union benefits;

C) Refusal of employers to hire young men subject to the draft;

C) Entrance of many high school and college graduates into the labor market in a period of high unemployment among older established workers;

E) Lack of training for specialized skills due to inadequate educational opportunities;

Next, DURHAM makes mention of the additional major questions facing youth, which are as follows:

1) The continued rise in juvenile delinquency rates, noting that "we" must struggle against lumping all youths as delinquents;

2) The crisis in U.S. education due to a shortage of classrooms, excess of pupils and a growing shortage of teachers. Financial difficulties of students makes the need for Federal aid for students more acute;

3) The struggle for school desegregation and an end to all forms of Jim Crow;

4) More examination of the objectives and purposes of "our" educational system from the viewpoint of peaceful competition with the Soviet Union and to combat the education-for-war thesis of the imperialists.

Continuing the article, it next deals with the organizations of youth, stressing that this must go hand in hand with the struggle the entire Party must

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wage on the youth question. He stated that the long-range outlook must include the establishment of a Marxist-Leninist youth organization in America. To develop the perspective of such a new organization, attention should be given to setting up groups of young comrades to work among youth, to have special cultural and educational programs dealing with their problems and to study past youth movements and organizations.

DURHAM states in this article that it would be premature to call for its formation at this time; but certain steps leading in this direction should be given consideration in each district. A committee should be set up to discuss the youth question and work out tasks and assignments. More attention should be given to work of youth clubs and where necessary, these clubs should be organized. In conclusion, DURHAM states that nationally, a sub-committee of the National Executive Committee should be set up, headed by a youth director and consideration should be given to a Party youth publication to help stimulate discussion and organization.

Volume one, #5 of "Party Affairs," for September, 1958, page one, column 3, under the caption "For Party Action on Youth Work," contains an article headed "For a Marxist Policy on Youth, by ROBERT THOMPSON (Excerpts From Report to National Committee)."

In this article, THOMPSON contends that the most fundamental question facing youth today is whether or not they can find a place for themselves in the productive life of the nation. THOMPSON states that the problems facing graduating classes this year demand more group struggle, not individual compliance. The corporations have closed their doors to the youth, who must turn to labor for initiating the formulation and enactment of youth legislation. The labor-youth

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alliance must be restored and above all, youth must turn to itself to find forms for an organized left in its ranks for a united progressive social force in the nation.

This article contends that it is time to start paying attention to the youth and their problems. The first thing that the Party can do is remember that there is a tremendous gap between the experience of Marxist workers of the age level of 35 years and over and the members of today's younger generation. They are products of two different social periods.

THOMPSON further comments that the idea the Party is old and senile is not correct for the Party is basically a Party of youth. There is a deep-going rebellious and pioneer spirit in this young generation of ours which could best be expressed in the battlecry: "Go Marxist, young man, go Marxist."

The Party has a great role to play among today's youth and according to THOMPSON, this must start out by listening to young people, by seriously undertaking to understand what is different in their life experience and by undertaking to assist, not boss. He suggested that the following can be done by the National Committee between now and its next meeting: First, see to it that the Marxist press and journals begin a systematic policy of carrying analytical articles and news stories dealing with problems and events of special concern to the youth. Second, begin development of a conscious cadre policy towards young people in and around the Party. Third, become conscious of the fact that there already exists a wide variety of youth groupings in which young Marxists play an important part. These range all the way from study groups and young explorer social clubs through chorus groups and bowling clubs. Fourth, get

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together on an organizational basis with a number of the young people who are already very active in attempting to shape Marxist policy in the youth field.

On September 2, 1958, T-23 advised that ROBERT THOMPSON on that date stated that the national office of the CP, USA wants some kind of a meeting in each district and then three regional meetings, one on the east coast, one in the middle west, and one on the west coast, in regard to youth matters.

THOMPSON said that the national office wants to get a Marxist-Leninist youth group started. This organization would be distinct from any mass organizations or teenage groups. The Party wants meetings of persons who are presently engaged in work in various youth sections of the Party. THOMPSON said that currently in New York, a school is being conducted by the youth. However, there is a youth political action group in existence in New York. The national office wants meetings of people who could form the cadre for this new youth organization. The national office will not set the pattern for the youth organization as long as it is a Marxist-Leninist organization. It will listen to the ideas of those who could form the cadre for this new youth organization.

According to T-23, THOMPSON further stated that soon "The Worker" will have a special section devoted to youth problems. From time to time, this material will be placed in a supplement, which can be reprinted and distributed. The Party has already visited some youths and asked them to write articles for "The Worker." The Party will let the youth write about anything as they feel their way along, provided it is not anti-Party.

On September 2, 1958, T-23 made available the following letter, sent on August 29, 1958, by HY LUMER:

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"Dear Comrades:

"In Comrade Bob Thompson's report to the last National Committee meeting, it was proposed that a preliminary national conference on the youth question be held sometime in September. Having gone into the matter further, the NEC feels that the intent of this proposal could best be carried out through the holding of regional conferences. We therefore propose:

"1. That one-day eastern seaboard, midwest and west coast conferences be organized to take place either in late September or in October. These should be attended by 2-3 representatives from each district, primarily youth and adults directly involved in youth work.

"2. That these conferences take up the following points:

- a) Review of the status of Party work and organization in this field today;
- b) Chief problems of youth and the status of mass youth organizations and agencies connected with youth problems;
- c) Next steps toward the elaboration of a youth program and the ultimate emergence of a youth organization.
- d) Provisions for further study and preparation, leading to full-scale conferences to be held either around Thanksgiving or during the Christmas holidays.

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"3. That as quickly as possible, a regular Youth Page be launched in the Worker, and that all districts begin immediately to contribute news and other material concerning youth on a regular basis.

Pending the selection of a National Youth Secretary, the undersigned has been delegated by the NEC to give attention to youth questions. Any pertinent material or queries should be sent to him.

"Comradely,

"Hy Lumer"

On September 15, 1958, T-31 advised that on September 13, 1958, ROBERT THOMPSON stated that HY LUMER had been delegated by the National Executive Committee of the CP, USA to work with youth groups on a temporary basis.

On September 15, 1958, T-31 advised that HY LUMER was leaving New York on September 22, 1958, for a two-months nation-wide tour to organize Marxist-Leninist youth groups.

On September 29, 1958, T-28 advised that an Eastern Seaboard Regional Youth Conference, CP was held on September 27, 1958, at Yugoslav Hall, New York City. T-28 added that approximately 20 people were in attendance at this meeting, which included delegates from Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, in addition to those from New York.

On October 1, 1958, T-26 advised that the agenda for this youth conference held on September 27, 1958, in New York City, was as follows:

1. Area reports from representative groups.

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2. The integration march of youth in Washington.
3. The Youth Festival to be held in Vienna.
4. Existence and status of CP youth clubs.
5. The future and proposals for development of the youth within Party organization.

T-26 further advised that BOB THOMPSON, who was present throughout this meeting, stated that the 300-400 Communist youth in the United States could best be trained for a role within the Party by classes and discussions in Marxist-Leninist doctrines and theories. THOMPSON said that the youth would be given a page in "The Worker" and later their own publication. He stressed the need for a national organization of the youth clubs within the Party and suggested that the New York groups through the youth commission write a paper on the make-up, characteristics, functions and role of the CP youth.

T-26 advised that the following proposals were made in regards to item number 5 of the agenda:

- "A. A page for youth in the 'Sunday Worker,' dealing with the ideological and theoretical aspects of Marxist-Leninist teachings.
- "B. An associated bulletin to circulate among different areas to inform each other and create a more interesting change of ideas and problems.
- "C. A representative body for research in issues of youth to help guarantee more discussion.
- "D. More theoretical work in youth groups to insure stronger Marxist-Leninist ties.

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"E. A policy statement and creation and development of Party youth groups and inter-group relations.

"F. Building Party youth clubs and expanding those in existence."

T-26 further advised that arrangements were made for another conference to be held in New York on Saturday, November 29, 1958. The informant added that before this date, western and midwestern conferences were to be held, the results of which would be submitted to New York. T-26 added that other areas, possibly Boston and Connecticut, in addition to those present at this conference, would be in attendance at the November conference and that a national youth Party convention would be held around Christmas or early 1959.

On October 6, 1958, T-31 advised that national representatives and delegates of the U.S. Festival Committee met at the Hotel Woodstock, New York City, on October 4, 1958. The informant stated that little was accomplished at this meeting on the formation of a proposed structure for a National Festival Organization, primarily due to the suspicion of the Chicago delegates that certain New York Committee members have CP affiliations.

On October 8, 1958, T-9 made available colored throwaway leaflets which were headed "An Appeal to Youth, Take the Fight for Democracy Into Little Rock and Take American Troops Out of Formosa." This leaflet makes the following demands:

No interference in the affairs of China.

Withdrawal of our troops from Chinese waters and from Formosa.

Demand the integration of Negro students.

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Safeguard the public school system.

Stop the violence against Negro people
by the Kluxers.

These leaflets contain the following closing
caption:

"For Further Information - Write to:
Communist Party Youth Commission
23 West 26th Street
New York 10, New York."

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FARMERS MATTERS

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(NY file 100-80634)

This section was prepared by SA JOHN R. HAWKEN.

On August 18, 1958, T-2 made available a four page leaflet with the caption, "A People's Program for Jobs and Security." This item reflects that it was "issued by the National Committee, Communist Party, USA." The document calls for a twelve-point program which contains as one of the points the following:

"11. Aid the farmers.

"Reverse the EISENHOWER policy of cutting farm price supports. Raise supportt payments to assure a 100% of parity. Enact legislation to ease the lot of farm laborers, especially migrant workers, and to provide for them all benefits now available to other workers."

On September 24, 1958, T-5 advised that a meeting of the subcommittee for the preparation of the farm section of the CP.USA program met at the home of [redacted] Those present, according to T-5, were [redacted] and [redacted] The informant added that for three hours, this group discussed the farm question and how to write a farm program. It was decided that [redacted] and [redacted] would prepare an article on the crisis in American agriculture as to technological changes and the consequences to the farmer in income, security and stability. This article is to take the position of an American farmer under capitalism.

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T-5 further advised that it was decided that [redacted] is to write on the same subject but taking the position of a farmer under socialism, and that LEM HARRIS is to draft a short article on "How a People's Anti-Monopoly Government Will Function on Behalf of the American Farmer,"

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NATIONAL GROUPS

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On September 9, 1958, T-8 advised that a meeting of the National Executive Committee of the Communist Party (CP), USA was held on that date at CP Headquarters in New York City. The informant advised that during this National Executive Committee meeting V. J. JEROME gave a report on the "Jewish Question".

According to the informant, JEROME cited figures as to the percentage of "Jewish" workers in various industries in the United States such as the garment industry, the food industry and the building trades industry. He also illustrated by statistics the percentage of "Jewish" persons in the United States who were employed as "employees" and who were "employers". The informant related that JEROME used these figures to point out that the majority of "Jewish" individuals in the United States were "workers" and that they are "discriminated" against by employers, in that they are not allowed to work in many industries. JEROME also discussed "Zionism", pointing out that during the first quarter of the century Zionism received very little response from "Jewish" people in the United States, but since the formation of the State of Israel the popularity of Zionism had increased in the United States.

The informant further advised that JEROME made the following proposals for the CP consideration regarding the "Jewish" field:

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1. That the Party should pay attention to the student movement;
2. The "Jewish" youth;
3. Women's organizations;
4. The unemployed

JEROME further recommended that the Party's work should be strengthened in unions to which "Jewish" workers belong. He recommended that the Party try to increase the circulation of the "Morning Freiheit" in order to help build or rebuild vital progressive organizations. JEROME also suggested that the Party work for cooperation and understanding between the State of Israel and the Arab states.

The informant related further that after JEROME had given his report there was a general discussion in which ROBERT THOMPSON mentioned the various charges made against the Soviet Union in connection with the treatment of the "Jewish" people in the Soviet Union. In connection with this, THOMPSON cited the repression of "Jewish" culture and literature. THOMPSON denied that there was any evidence to support such charges and to illustrate listed the following items to the contrary, namely:

"Jewish" Concerts in the Soviet Union

Phonograph records in "Yiddish"

Albums and drawings by leading "Jewish" artists.

THOMPSON raised the question as to whether or not there should be a publication of "Yiddish" and "Jewish" newspapers in the Soviet Union, and he mentioned the fact that the majority opinion was against this. THOMPSON remarked that it was not a question of whether or not "Jewish" groups existed in the Soviet Union but whether the State should subsidize them.

According to the informant, as the meeting progressed JACK STACHEL spoke and he too cited statistics regarding the "Jewish" population in various countries of the world. He particularly emphasized the large number of "Jewish" people in the United States. At one point during the meeting, the informant advised that EUGENE DENNIS inquired if there were any materials reflecting the position of "Jewish" mass organizations on the issues of the A-Bomb or independent political action. According to the informant, JACK STACHEL indicated in his remarks that they were unprepared to answer such questions at the present time. However, STACHEL pointed out that there was a weakening of social consciousness among the younger "Jewish" people who were no longer joining organizations such as the Young Communist League and who were now all joining Zionist youth organizations.

WILLIAM WEINSTONE then spoke and urged that the CP be understanding of the problems of the "Jewish" people and the bombings of "Jewish" synagogues. WEINSTONE pointed out that the "Jewish bourgeoisie" had the best philanthropic organizations in the country. Concerning the "Jewish" organizations, WEINSTONE stated that "Comrades" have gone into fraternal and functional groups. He mentioned, however, that it was not easy to raise the question of socialism in "Jewish" organizations but that such issues as "Peace" and "Negro Rights" could be raised.

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The informant further related that EUGENE DENNIS then made the following recommendations which apparently were incorporated into the report:

1. Political estimate of the role and policies of "Jewish" mass organizations such as the American Jewish Congress.
2. Indicate in a preliminary report the logical connection between "Jewish Nationalism" and "Revisionism."
3. The "Jewish" question in the Soviet Union. In connection with this third recommendation the informant noted that DENNIS pointed out that this question should be handled by the Party with great care.
4. The role and influence of Zionists in the United States and in Israel.

At this point, ROBERT THOMPSON stated that efforts would be made to interpret "The Party's line" on the "Jewish" question as an "anti-Jewish line", and, therefore, he recommended that the Party should proceed carefully with this "line".

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THOMPSON stated that the Party should start initially with a reaffirmation on its struggle against "Anti - Semitism". THOMPSON recommended that a report be published. According to the informant, V. J. JEROME stated that he would like to do some additional work on the report before any publication.

RELIGION

(Bufile 100-3-82)
(New York file 100-80864)

This section was prepared by SA FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN.

On July 15, 1958, T-38, advised that, on July 13, 1958, a meeting of the Educational Committee, People's Improvement Association was held at 617 Casanova Street, Bronx, New York.

According to the informant, a series of forum meetings for the Fall was discussed and the decision was made that it was a must to invite one of the Islamic leaders who are making inroads into the Harlem section of New York City.

It was the consensus that, while religion can be a unifying force with which to rally people, this is not true in the case of the American Negro.

It was also pointed out that the Islamic faith could not better the lot of the Negro, since it preaches the faith of individuals in the supremacy of the male, the brotherhood of believers and the hatred of non-believers.

According to the informant, the statement was made that it is true that nations with large Moslem populations have made great strides in recent years. But it was pointed out that these strides are not due to the influence of religion, but to the appeal of socialism.

PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS

(Bufile 100-3-86)
(New York file 100-81675)

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Finances and Circulation of "The Worker"

On September 25, 1958, T-35, furnished information that Publishers New Press, Incorporated, publisher of "The Worker" had, as of June 30, 1958, total assets of \$27,194.10, liabilities of \$115,427.68 and a surplus deficit of \$88,233.58. According to the informant, for the six months period ending June 30, 1958, operating income amounted to \$22,984.17, and operating expenses were \$82,644.78, resulting in an operating loss of \$59,660.61. This operating loss was offset by other income of \$4,235.87, resulting in a net operating loss of \$55,424.74. Donations during the six months period amounted to \$57,217.08, resulting in a net income over net operating loss of \$1,792.34, for the six months ending June 30, 1958. Added to this amount was \$1,307.37, from affairs resulting in a net gain for the period of \$3,099.71.

On September 29, 1958, T-4 furnished information concerning a report by JACK STACKEL to the National Executive Committee of the Communist Party, on September 19-21, 1958, regarding the prospects and tasks in relation to the circulation and finances of "The Worker". According to this report, the total paid circulation, including circulation

outside the United States of America, has reached the figure of 14,000. STACHEL proposed that all party subdivisions take the necessary measures to carry through a three month drive, beginning in October, 1958, which calls for extending the circulation of "The Worker" by six thousand readers, and assuring its publication by raising the minimum necessary fund of \$30,000. He reported that funds are immediately needed by "The Worker" to liquidate the debts accumulated during the summer and to press forward its current campaign.

On August 25, 1958, T-23, advised that WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, General Manager of "The Worker", recently indicated the paper was not doing too well financially and that if it were not for the three thousand subscriptions obtained from Russia, the financial and circulation problems of the paper would be worse.

Special "Newsletter" Published by the Illinois and Michigan Offices of "The Worker"

On July 7, 1958, T-19 advised that, according to SAM KUSHNER, the Illinois and Michigan offices of "The Worker" joined in publishing 3000 copies of a special "Newsletter" dealing with the problems of the automobile workers and other trade union activities.

THOMPSON Indicates Efforts To Contact Youth Will Be Supplemented By Establishing A Youth Page in "The Worker" and A Monthly Youth Bulletin.

On September 29, 1958, T-36, advised that during an Eastern Seaboard Communist Party Youth Conference held at Yugoslav Hall, New York City, on September 27, 1958,

ROBERT THOMPSON indicated that Communist Party clubs and study classes would be utilized to establish contact with three to four hundred youths who were familiar with Marxian ideology. He said this would be supplemented and strengthened by establishing a youth page in "The Worker", and, eventually, providing a monthly youth bulletin.

Increase in Communist Party Bulletins and Papers Noted

The September, 1958, issue of "Party Affairs", a publication of the National Committee of the Communist Party, United States of America, furnished by T-9 on September 12, 1958, stated that within the past year a number of Communist Party organizations have begun to publish community or Party bulletins. Among the bulletins mentioned were, "Party Voice", publication of which has been resumed by the New York State Committee; "The Comet", a four-page monthly bulletin issued by the Queens County Committee of which 1500 copies are sent to Party and non-Party readers; "Searchlight", a two-page paper issued by the Erie County (Buffalo, New York) Communist Party, having a monthly distribution of 3000; "Moving Forward", a mimeographed monthly bulletin issued by the Communist Party of Missouri, and the Southern California Party Forum, a four page tabloid issued by the Southern California District, both addressed primarily to Party members.

"World Marxist Review"

On September 23, 1958, T-4 advised that the Communist Party, United States of America, has been urged by the Labor Progressive Party of Canada (the Canadian Communist Party) to increase the distribution in the United States of a new world Communist publication called "World Marxist Review".

An advertisement for subscriptions to this publication appeared in the October 5, 1958, issue of "The Worker", page 9, column 4, which described it as "the theoretical and information journal of Communist and Workers' Parties", obtainable in a Canadian edition from Progress Books, 924 King Street, West, Toronto, Canada.

Communist Party Continues To Promote Sale of PAUL ROBESON's Book

On July 29, 1958, T-23 furnished information that JAMES E. JACKSON, in a letter dated July 25, 1958, urged all Communist Party Districts to continue promoting the sale of PAUL ROBESON's book: "Here I Stand". In this connection, T-37 advised on July 21, 1958, that BENJAMIN J. DAVIS recently indicated that he considered ROBESON's book extremely valuable to the Communist Party in making contacts for eventual membership recruitment.

"A People's Program For Jobs and Security"

"The Worker", issue of August 10, 1958, page 5, column 1, reported that the national office of the Communist Party has received numerous responses to the leaflet:

"A People's Program for Jobs and Security", of which more than 100,000 copies have been distributed.

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EDUCATION

(BUFILE 100-3-71)
(NY File 100-80633)

This section is prepared by SA JOSEPH V. WATERS.

T-1, on September 2, 1958, provided a copy of a mimeographed memorandum prepared by the National Education Department of the CP, USA "on the 39th Anniversary of the CPUSA". There was also a notation that the contents of this memorandum would appear in the September, 1958 "Political Affairs".

This memorandum recalled that September, 1958, marked the 39th anniversary of the founding of the CP, USA. It was explained that the CP grew out of the split between the Right and Left Wings in the Socialist Party over such basic questions as opposition to World War I, an attitude toward the new Soviet Union, ^{an} approach to the sharpening class struggles in the United States. The split culminated in the expulsion of the Left-Wing from the Socialist Party in 1919. On August 31, 1919, in Chicago, one group among the Left-Wing formed the Communist Labor Party of America. On September 1, 1919, what was described as a much larger group organized the Communist Party of America.

The memorandum went on to claim that the CP is not a foreign importation, but rooted in the history of the American working class. It was said that the CP in the period of its existence has taken a leading part in struggles for various objectives. With reference to today, it was said that the CP is emerging from a severe crisis, both ideological and organizational, and has finally re-established its Marxist-Leninist bearings and is beginning to resume its place in the economic and political life of the US.

The 39th Anniversary of its founding was pointed up as an occasion for advancing the strengthening and consolidation of the CP and the party districts were called upon to use this occasion for the start of a three month campaign with the objectives:

1. Promotion of study and discussion of the history of the Party along with the circulation of such books as WILLIAM Z. FOSTER's "History of the CPUSA" as well as the study of the lives and work of Party leaders.

2. Revival and expansion of the study of Marxist theory and use of Marxist classics; organization of classes and schools on an expanding scale, with special attention to classes for youth.

3. Building circulation of "The Worker" and "Political Affairs".

4. Increasing the tempo of Party registration and establishment of clubs in all areas.

T-7 has advised that on September 8, 1958, HY LUMER informed HERBERT APTHEKER that a meeting of the Education Committee was to be held on the evening of the following day and it was hoped that APTHEKER might attend.

On September 9, 1958, T-8 advised that the Education Committee meeting was held at the national office of the CP on the evening of that day. In his address to the meeting HY LUMER described it as the first meeting of the year and said that the group was confronted with the task of re-establishing educational work on a national scale. LUMER admitted that classes were generally few in number. He mentioned interest in the organization of Party forums and

noted that the question of the National Center providing speakers for tours had been raised. LUMER said that he thought that arrangements could be made for the use of such speaking tours.

LUMER also pointed out that another problem existed in the circulation of mass literature and he noted that there were two pamphlets in publication, one on the issue of unemployment. He said that there was a financial problem connected with the publication of pamphlets and said other means may be used in order to cut costs noting that a folder on the economic situation had been sent out and was found to be less expensive than a pamphlet.

"Party Affairs" was stated by LUMER as a publication that had come into existence as a result of the latest CP Constitution, which document required that the organization publish an appropriate organ with an issue being presented some time after each meeting of the National Committee. He then proposed that this concept be given up and that accounts of National Committee meetings be limited to articles. LUMER suggested that "Party Affairs" be used in a different way, that it be utilized for reporting what was happening in the districts and presenting material to the Party. He pointed these out as practical questions concerning education work and said there was a need for them to set up the necessary apparatus and consider the setting up of special committees for handling special phases of the work.

T-9, on September 12, 1958, supplied a copy of a memorandum which disclosed that the Education Commission in consultation with other comrades, was urging that every club and section committee have at least one discussion during September or October on the question: "What shall our Party's policy be in the struggle for Negro rights and against white chauvinism?"

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The memorandum directed that the report of JAMES E. JACKSON, to be published in the September, 1958, issue of "Political Affairs", be the basis for such discussions. Several questions were then set out as representing a part of discussion. The questions asked whether the Negro people in the black belt are a nation and whether the right of self-determination was the goal of the Negro people's movement. Also it was asked how the CP should further the struggles among white people for Negro rights and against chauvinism as well as how the struggle against white chauvinism in the CP itself should be conducted. Further, it was asked what is to be the role, now and in the future of various organizations and classes within the Negro liberation movement. Finally, it was stated that the next meeting of the National Committee of the CP would adopt a national policy on this question.

The September, 1958 issue of "Political Affairs" published the note that the October, 1958 issue would contain an important article by JAMES E. JACKSON on theoretical aspects of the Negro question.

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ATTEMPTS OF COMMUNIST
PARTY (CP) TO INFILTRATE
MASS ORGANIZATIONS

(Bureau file 100-3-106)
(New York file 100-133902)

This section was prepared by SA JOHN R. HAWKEN.

On July 15, 1958, T-21 advised that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People's (NAACP) National Convention was held in Cleveland, Ohio, from July 8 through July 13, 1958, and T-21 stated that JAMES E. JACKSON was present from July 8, 1958, until the end of the convention. According to the informant, JACKSON was not a delegate but attended one or more of the convention activities daily and also talked to the delegates both during and after these sessions. JACKSON attempted to speak during the workshop on "Negro Work" at the convention but was not recognized.

T-21 added that JACKSON was the only CP member he saw at the convention.

On September 18, 1958, T-3 furnished a mimeographed document entitled, "New Features of the Negro Question in the United States," by JAMES E. JACKSON, and dated September 20, 1958. This document carried the notation, "Not for publication."

On September 19, 1958, T-2 advised that the aforementioned document was distributed at the first day's session of a three-day National Executive Committee

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meeting beginning on September 19, 1958, with the instructions to carefully review this document in preparation for the second day's session of the NEC, wherein the Negro Question would be discussed in detail. In a section of this document, JACKSON indicates that in order to fulfill the historic role of the "leading force" in the freedom endeavors of the Negro people, the Negro workers must be fully organized alongside their fellow white workers in the mass organizations of their class, the trade unions.

In this connection, JACKSON writes, "to best facilitate all developments in advancing the struggle for Negro rights, the 'vanguard', the Communist, should provide the most concrete leadership to its forces in (1) the trade unions and (2) in the Negro mass organizations. These are the primary mass channels through which the Negro masses and labor movement are reached and rallied into the fight for Negro rights."

JACKSON comments that through the agency of the NAACP, almost all of the organized groups in Negro life may be reached, influenced and rallied to the struggle, giving as examples the Negro Voters League and the Baptist and African Methodist Episcopal Churches.

The proposed budget of the Southern Region, CP, USA for October 1, 1958, to October 1, 1959, as furnished by T-4, reflects an expense in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the co-ordination of work in regard to the "NAACP, et al."

On October 1, 1958, T-26 advised that a discussion of the World Youth Festival to be held in Vienna, Austria, during July, 1959, was held at the Eastern Seaboard Regional Youth Conference of the CP, USA held on September 27, 1958, at Yugoslav Hall, New York City. During this discussion, one of the

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representatives stated that trade unions, Young Men's Christian Associations, Young Women's Christian Associations, the American Friends Association, the NAACP and other such groups will be contacted about sending delegates and/or observers to this conference.

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II. INDIVIDUALS

The following named individuals mentioned in this report, may be identified as follows:

JOHN ABT

On March 22, 1954, Mrs. FRANCES HOPE DAVIS, Northampton, Massachusetts, in describing her past Communist Party activities in Washington, D.C. during the 1930's, identified JOHN ABT as an individual known to her as a CP member during that time.

The "Daily Worker", April 6, 1954, page 3, column 2, made mention of a forthcoming dinner in honor of the 50th birthday of JOHN ABT. The article stated in part that "ABT, noted civil liberties attorney, has been in the forefront of the progressive fight for over 20 years He is co-counsel representing the CP in the Mc Carran Act case".

WILLIAM ALBERTSON

T-16 advised on March 31, 1958, that it was announced at a New York County CP Committee meeting, held March 6, 1958, that WILLIAM ALBERTSON was elected New York State CP Secretary.

CHARLENE MITCHELL ALEXANDER

The "Daily Worker", February 13, 1957, identified CHARLENE MITCHELL ALEXANDER, as one of the twenty members at large of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at its 16th National Convention, February 9-12, 1957.

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JAMES ALLEN

JOHN LAUTNER, a CP member for over twenty years, who, at the time of his expulsion from the CP in January, 1950, was Chairman of the New York State Review Commission, advised in July, 1953, that JAMES ALLEN was formerly editor of the "Daily Worker" and head of the Control Commission of the CP, USA.

T-23 advised on February 13, 1957, that JAMES ALLEN attended the 16th National Convention of the CP, USA, February 9-12, 1957, as a delegate from the Southern Region.

TED ALLEN

T-14 advised on May 12, 1953, that ALLEN, who was former Chairman of the CP, in West Virginia, expected to be sent back to West Virginia to handle Party affairs there.

HERBERT APTHEKER

HERBERT APTHEKER testified on July 14, 1954, in the case of United States v. KUZMA, et al, (conspiracy to violate the Smith Act) which took place in United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania. APTHEKER testified that he was at that time a member of the CP and that he had been a member of the CP since 1939.

ERIC BERT

T-34 on February 24, 1958, furnished information that ERIC BERT was managing Editor of "The Worker".

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ALEXANDER BITTELMAN

ALEXANDER BITTELMAN was convicted for violation of the Smith Act on January 21, 1953, in United States District Court, New York.

MARTIN CHANCEY

T-44 has advised that MARTIN CHANCEY is assistant to ANTHONY KRCHMAREK is the Ohio District of the CP, USA.

CHARLES "BOB" COE

On July 30, 1957, T-5 advised that a meeting of the CP, USA, Farm Commission was held at CP, USA Headquarters on July 26, 1957, at which it was decided that the group present at this meeting would be considered the base of the CP, USA National Farm Commission. T-5 added that CHARLES "BOB" COE was in attendance at this meeting.

ROSE COE

On July 30, 1957, T-5 advised that a meeting of the CP, USA, Farm Commission was held at CP, USA Headquarters, in New York City, on July 26, 1957, at which it was decided that the group present at this meeting would be considered the base of the CP, USA, National Farm Commission. T-5 added that ROSE COE was in attendance at this meeting.

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BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR.

The "Daily Worker", February 13, 1957, identified BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, Jr., as one of the twenty members-at-large of the National Committee, CP, USA, elected at its 16th National Convention, February 9-12, 1957.

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, page 14, column 5, listed BENJAMIN DAVIS as a member of the CP National Executive Committee.

DAVIS was convicted in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on October 14, 1949, for violation of the Smith Act.

EUGENE DENNIS

"The Daily Worker", February 13, 1957, identified EUGENE DENNIS as one of the twenty members-at-large of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at its 16th National Convention, February 9-12, 1957.

"The Worker", July 13, 1957, page 14, column 5, listed EUGENE DENNIS as a member of the CP National Executive Committee and National Secretary.

DENNIS was convicted in United States District Court, New York, on October 14, 1949, for violation of the Smith Act.

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JOSEPH DOUGHER

T-15 advised on August 14, 1958, that JOSEPH DOUGHER is a suspended member of the District Committee of the CP of Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware.

EARL DURHAM

On April 16, 1958. T-6 advised that EARL DURHAM was a member of the National Committee, CP, USA, as of April, 1958.

On February 25, 1958, T-36, advised that EARL DURHAM was in charge of Youth Work of the CP, as of February, 1958, but no youth program had been formulated up to that time.

FRED FINE

"The Daily Worker", February 13, 1957, identified FINE as one of the twenty members-at-large of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at its 16th National Convention, February 9-12, 1957.

The "Daily Worker", May 6, 1957, reported that FINE was elected to the National Executive Committee at a National Committee meeting held April 27 and 28, 1957.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, page 14, column 5, listed ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN as a member of the National Executive Committee of the CP, USA, and National Field Organizer.

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T-23 advised that FLYNN was elected a member of the National Committee at its meeting on July 27 and 28, 1957.

FLYNN was convicted in the United States District Court, New York, on January 21, 1953, for violation of the Smith Act.

WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

The "Daily Worker", February 13, 1957, identified WILLIAM Z. FOSTER as one of the twenty members-at-large of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at its 16th National Convention, February 9-12, 1957.

"The Daily Worker", May 6, 1957, reported that FOSTER was elected Chairman Emeritus of the CP, USA.

FOSTER was indicted in United States District Court, New York, on July 20, 1948, for violation of the Smith Act. He has not been tried because of his health.

BETTY GANNETT

BETTY GANNETT was convicted for violation of the Smith Act on January 21, 1953, in United States District Court, New York.

SIMON W. GERSON

T-16, on April 2, 1957, advised that SIMON W. GERSON is a member of the National Committee from the New York District and a member of the New York State Committee.

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GILBERT GREEN

The "Daily Worker", January 1, 1951, identified GILBERT GREEN as a member of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at its 15th National Convention in December, 1950.

GREEN was convicted in the United States District Court, New York, on October 14, 1949, for violation of the Smith Act. He is currently serving his sentence.

LEMENT BACON HARRIS

On October 18, 1954, T-5 advised LEMENT BACON HARRIS was a member of the CP, USA, Farm Commission.

On January 1, 1955, T-4 advised that HARRIS was a CP member and in contact with leading Communists on CP financial matters.

HARRY HAYWOOD

T-13 advised on May 3, 1957, he had learned HARRY HAYWOOD was a leader in the Harlem Section of the CP.

"The Worker", August 17, 1958, page 5, described HAYWOOD as one of the leaders of "the ultra-left faction".

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JAMES E. JACKSON

The "Daily Worker", February 13, 1957, identified JAMES E. JACKSON as one of the twenty members-at-large of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at its 16th National Convention, February 9-12, 1957.

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, page 14, column 5, listed JAMES JACKSON as a member of the CP National Executive Committee and Secretary for Negro and Southern Affairs.

VICTOR J. JEROME

JEROME was convicted in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on January 21, 1953, for violation of the Smith Act.

ARNOLD JOHNSON

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, listed ARNOLD JOHNSON as Legislative Secretary of the CP, USA.

ANTHONY KRCHMAREK

T-23, on April 29, 1957, described KRCHMAREK as a member of the National Committee, CP, USA, from the Ohio District of the CP, USA.

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, page 14, column 5, listed KRCHMAREK as a member of the National Executive Committee of the CP, USA.

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SAM KUSHNER

On August 21, 1957, T-23 advised that SAM KUSHNER was as of that date, a member of the CP National Committee from Illinois.

AL LANNON

On July 29, 1958, T-30 advised that AL LANNON was the leader of the left wing forces of the CP in the San Francisco area.

ALBERT JASON "MICKIE" LIMA

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, page 14, column 5, listed LIMA as a member of the National Executive Committee of the CP, USA.

HYMAN LUMER

T-2 has advised on April 29, 1957, that HYMAN LUMER was a member of the National Committee of the CP, USA.

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, page 14, column 5, listed HY LUMER as a member of the CP National Executive Committee and Educational Director.

GEORGE MORRIS

On April 4, 1958, T-23 advised that EUGENE DENNIS in March, 1958, disclosed that GEORGE MORRIS was an associate editor of "The Worker".

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JOSEPH NORTH

T-5 advised on October 26, 1955, that he had known JOSEPH NORTH for about 25 years as a CP member.

T-42 advised on April 5, 1957, that JOSEPH NORTH was at that time employed on the editorial staff of "The Worker".

PAUL NOVICK

On April 13, 1949, T-22 described PAUL NOVICK as being a CP member at that time and editor of the "Morning Freiheit".

WILLIAM L. PATTERSON

"The Worker", January 26, 1958, page 4, column 3, described WILLIAM L. PATTERSON as its General Manager.

JOAN PAUL

On January 7, 1958, T-3 advised that JOAN PAUL is employed as a stenographer at the CP, USA National office.

PETTIS PERRY

T-23 advised that PETTIS PERRY was elected a member of the National Committee of the CP, USA, at its meeting on July 27 and 28, 1957.

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PETTIS PERRY was convicted on January 21, 1953, in United States District Court, New York, for violation of the Smith Act.

IRVING POTASH

The "Daily Worker", January 1, 1951, identified IRVING POTASH as a member of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at its 15th National Convention in December, 1950.

POTASH was convicted on October 14, 1949, in United States District Court, New York, for violation of the Smith Act. On completion of sentence, he voluntarily deported himself on March 4, 1955. He was arrested on January 4, 1957, for illegal entry into the United States and was convicted, receiving a two year sentence.

AL RICHMOND

"The Daily Worker", February 13, 1957, identified AL RICHMOND as one of the twenty members-at-large of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at its 16th National Convention, February 9-12, 1957.

PAUL ROBESON

In June, 1950, T-43, advised that PAUL ROBESON was known to him prior to 1945 as a concealed Communist.

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ARMANDO ROMAN

T-2 advised during February, 1957, that ARMANDO ROMAN attended the 16th National CP Convention held in NYC, February 9-12, 1957, as a delegate.

"The Worker", August 17, 1958, page 5, described ROMAN as one of the leaders of "the ultra-left faction".

JACK SHULMAN

T-41 advised on October 14, 1958, that JACK SHULMAN was employed by the CP, USA as chauffeur-secretary to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER.

RUTH SHULMAN

T-3 advised on September 20, 1957, that RUTH SHULMAN was a clerical employee of the CP, USA National office.

JACK STACHEL

T-23 advised that JACK STACHEL was elected a member of the National Committee of the CP, USA, at its meeting on July 27 and 28, 1957.

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, page 14, column 5, listed JACK STACHEL as a member of the CP National Executive Committee.

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STACHEL was convicted in United States District Court, New York, on October 14, 1949, for violation of the Smith Act.

WILLIAM STANLEY

On September 20, 1957, T-3 described WILLIAM STANLEY as the superintendent of the building occupied by the CP at 23 West 26th Street, New York City.

ROBERT THOMPSON

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, page 14, column 5, listed BOB THOMPSON as a member of the CP National Executive Committee and Executive Secretary.

T-2 has advised that ROBERT THOMPSON was elected a member of the National Committee, of the CP, USA, at its meeting on July 27 and 28, 1957.

THOMPSON was convicted in United States District Court, New York, on October 14, 1949, for violation of the Smith Act.

PAT TOOHEY

On September 24, 1958, T-5 advised that PAT TOOHEY is the Chairman of the New Jersey State CP.

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ROSE TOPERCER

On July 11, 1958, T-19 advised that ROSE TOPERCER was the Chairman of the Flynn Section, Illinois District, CP, USA.

ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG

T-23 advised in September, 1958, that ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG is a charter member of the CP, USA.

WILLIAM WEINSTONE

T-4 advised on May 27, 1957, that WILLIAM WEINSTONE was the New York State CP Education Director.

T-2 advised in February, 1958, that WILLIAM WEINSTONE attended the CP National Committee meeting on February 15-16, 1957, as a member of the Committee from the New York District.

WEINSTONE was convicted in the United States District Court, New York, on January 21, 1953, for violation of the Smith Act.

JIM WEST

T-40, in February, 1958, identified JIM WEST as a member of the Illinois State CP Committee.

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HENRY WINSTON

The "Daily Worker", January 1, 1951, identified HENRY WINSTON as a member of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at its 15th National Convention in December, 1950.

WINSTON was convicted in the United States District Court, New York, on October 14, 1949, for violation of the Smith Act. He is currently serving his sentence.

CARL WINTER

The "Daily Worker", February 13, 1957, identified CARL WINTER as one of the twenty members-at-large of the National Committee of the CP, USA, elected at the 16th National Convention, February 9-12, 1957.

"The Worker", July 13, 1958, page 14, column 5, listed CARL WINTER as a member of the CP National Executive Committee.

WINTER was convicted in United States District Court, New York, on October 14, 1949, for violation of the Smith Act.

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III. GLOSSARY OF ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

"The Comet"

This is described as a monthly bulletin, issued by the Queens County (New York) Communist Party Committee, in the September, 1958, issue of "Party Affairs".

"Daily Worker"

An East coast daily Communist newspaper, publication of which ceased on January 13, 1958.

Families of the Smith Act Victims

The Families of the Smith Act Victims has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Imported Publications and Products

JOHN LAUTNER, A CP functionary for over 20 years and at the time of his expulsion in January, 1950, Chairman of the New York State Review Commission, in April, 1951, advised that Imported Publications and Products was formed by the CPUSA for the purpose of procuring foreign publications for sale in the United States. According to LAUTNER, MARGARET KRUMBEIN, the owner of the organization, has been a member of the CP for many years and has actively worked for the CP.

Imported Publications & Products, presently located at 4 West 16th St., New York City, registered with the Foreign Agents Registration Section of the United States Department of Justice on June 14, 1951 and received Registration number 676.

"The Marxist-Leninist Vanguard"

"The Marxist-Leninist Vanguard", September, 1958, page 3, column 5 states it is "Published by Provisional Organizing Committee for a Marxist-Leninist Communist Party."

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"Moving Forward"

This is described as a monthly bulletin issued by the CP of Missouri, in the September, 1958 issue of "Party Affairs".

"Morning Freiheit"

The "Daily Worker" 12/9/48 editorially referred to the "Morning Freiheit" as the Jewish Language Communist newspaper.

"Party Affairs"

The caption under its masthead reflects that "Party Affairs" is the publication of the National Committee of the CP, USA.

"Party Voice"

This is described as a publication of the New York State CP Committee in the September, 1958 issue of "Party Affairs".

People's Improvement Association (PIA)

On December 3 and 16, 1957, T-39 advised that a meeting of Communist Party members, arranged by BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, Jr., member of the National Committee, CP, USA, was held on December 1, 1957, at which a proposal was made and approved that a broad mass organization be formed under the name of the People's Improvement Association (PIA). According to DAVIS, the PIA had his wholehearted support as well as the support of the Communist Party.

The informant advised on December 16, 1957, that the core of the PIA was to be comprised of Communist Party members who will be the administrators of the organization.

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Non party members will be brought into the PIA through a program centering around tenants' work in the Harlem area of New York City and social equality for minority groups, such as Negroes and Puerto Ricans. The main objective in setting up this organization was to bring new members into the Communist Party through a systematic indoctrination whereby people will be impressed by the benefits of socialism as compared to capitalism.

On January 6, 1958, the informant made available a leaflet of the PIA, which reflected that the location of the PIA office is at 103 West 110th Street, New York City.

"Political Affairs"

Cited as an "official Communist Party monthly theoretical organ". "Political Affairs, formerly known as the Communist, 'a magazine of the theory and practice of Marxism-Leninism published monthly by the Communist Party of the United States of America,' now calls itself 'a magazine devoted to the theory and practice of Marxism-Leninism.' Its chief editor is EUGENE DENNIS, executive secretary of the party."

(Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, Report No. 1920, May 11, 1948, pp 5 and 36; also cited in Report No. 209, April 1, 1947, p. 25).

Provisional Committee to the Reconstitute the CP, USA

"The Marxist-Leninist Vanguard", September, 1958, page 1, column 4 contains an article captioned: "Communist Conference, Marxist-Leninist Caucus, Maps New Party". In this article it is stated that a Communist Conference was held in New York City on August 16, 17, 1958 to guarantee the survival of Marxism-Leninism in the USA. In this paper, under the caption: "A Declaration", page 2, column 2, it is stated:

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"Therefore, we of the Marxist-Leninist caucus of the old Party, having met in a national conference on August 16,17, 1958, have constituted ourselves as a Provisional Committee for the Reconstitution of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party."

Continuing, in the above article it is stated, "....we are confident that we represent in an organized form the revolutionary internationalist Marxist-Leninist traditions of those American workers who established the CP, USA 39 years ago."

On September 4, 1958, T-17 advised that at a meeting in New York City on September 1, 1958 it was mentioned that the Provisional Committee was looking for a place to set up national headquarters. At this meeting there was also discussion as to how the organization's name would be set forth on the literature. It was finally decided that "The Provisional Committee to Reconstitute" would appear in small letters while "Communist Party, USA" would appear in bold type.

"Searchlight"

This is described as a paper issued by the Erie County (Buffalo New York) CP, in the September, 1958 issue of "Party Affairs".

"Southern California Party Forum"

This is described as a four-page tabloid issued by the Southern California District CP in the September, 1958 issue of "Party Affairs".

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"The Worker"

An East coast weekly Communist newspaper.

"World Marxist Review" (U)

"The Worker", 10/5/58, page 9, describes this as "the theoretical and information journal of Communist and Worker's parties!".

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